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THE PROBLEM THAT WILL NOT DOWN.

We observe the idea put forward that the negro question has been practically settled in North Carolina, because even the Republicans agree that negro office holding has been eliminated by the late election. Even if that were so, the real problem has not been solved. What the advocates of a qualified suffrage chiefly aim at is the removal of the corruptible vote. The negro vote, as it stands now, is the balance of power in this State, and honest men and their interests are, in a greater or less degree, at the mercy of corrupt politicians who have the means and the disposition to buy it. In such a rural State as North Carolina, bossism, which our Democratic Handbook has so justly denounced, would be almost unknown if the black mass of the negro vote did not present an ever ready weapon to the boss for use against those of his subjects who might be disposed to rebel.

The Democratic masses of our own State, fresh from their recent lamentable experiences, are not alone in their desire to lay the axe at the root of the evil. The wise and powerful Atlanta Constitution, stirred by the little cloud that arose in one of the Georgia Congressional districts, as well as by the contemplation of the more distant reality which it did so much to remove in North Carolina, is a pronounced advocate of a constitutional amendment for its own State. The last article which it has given us on the subject is singularly applicable to the negro problem as it exists in North Carolina.

Says the Constitution:

"The Augusta Herald says it is a queer position for The Constitution to take when it says that there is no race problem where the negro is not interfered with by aliens and unscrupulous leaders. After making this remark our contemporary goes on to say that there is a problem and a very serious one—when the negro vote is manipulated or bought by unscrupulous political leaders. This statement is different from that of The Constitution's only because it goes into particulars. If aliens and unscrupulous political leaders will leave the negroes alone, there is no problem of any kind to wrestle with. But the fact that they do not let the colored voters alone, but have trained large messes of them into believing that election day affords an opportunity for making a dollar or two of extra money, to say nothing of the extra supply of whisky, is important enough to arrest attention. The Constitution has already suggested that the legislature take measures for calling a constitutional convention, so that the people may have an opportunity to revise their organic law. Various changes are necessary, but the amendment of most importance is one that will place Georgia in line with South Carolina, Mississippi and Louisiana, so far as negro suffrage is concerned. These States have minimized the danger that arises from ignorant and irresponsible suffrage by adopting an educational qualification. Louisiana, we believe, has adopted a property qualification also.

"While it is true that a superficial education may carry with it a small supply of the moral qualities necessary to good citizenship, it is also true that it gives a voter the opportunity to use the ballot intelligently. The peculiar political education which the mass of negroes have received, and the political corruption in which they have been trained has practically changed the race. The great mass of them have been led into the political wilderness. The majority of those who employ the ballot do so either because they hate their white neighbors, or because they are able to make a dollar or two by selling their vote to the highest bidder.

"Such an element is a constant source of danger, even where it is in the minority, and, the only way to eliminate it is to require of all voters the ability to read and understand the constitution of the United States. An attempt was made in one of the congressional districts of this State to duplicate the disastrous coalition made in North Carolina; and The Constitution uncovered and laid bare the desperate situation there and in North Carolina.

"Now the only way to deal with this menace is to deal with the matter at its source and foundation, and at one stroke eliminate the ignorant vote and destroy it as a political factor. Let a constitutional convention be called, so that, along with other matters that call loudly for a change, voters who cannot read and understand the constitution of the United States shall be disqualified. The most sensible of the negro leaders see and feel that this remedy is necessary. It will do away with all political friction, and among those negroes who are really desirous of becoming good citizens, and who are anxious to secure and retain the respect of their neighbors, it will act as a stimulant. They will be anxious to educate themselves and their children. Naturally, when no political campaign is on hand, we are apt to view these matters lightly; they lose, as it were, the color of importance. Nevertheless, the ignorant and corrupt vote is an element calculated to bring about trouble when trouble is least expected. For that reason, and for other reasons, we believe it is the duty of the present general assembly to provide for the calling of a constitutional convention. There are other matters for such a body to deal with; but the ignorant negro vote is the most important of all, and should be dealt with promptly."

The only serious objection we have seen made to the value of an educational test is contained in an interview with Senator Money, of Mississippi, printed in yesterday's Washington Post.

"Does the educational test result in the disfranchising of the negro?" he was asked.

"In very slight degree. The voter has to read or understand a clause of the State constitution, and very frequently the judge of election helps out the voters, both white and colored. A more stringent barrier is the requirement that every would-be voter who is challenged shall produce his tax receipts for the two years prior to the election. There can be no evasion of this provision. Either he has the receipts or he has not; and if he cannot produce them he cannot vote."

That, no doubt, will be one of the provisions which our legislators will consider for incorporation in the new election law which they will pass.

It may be remarked that the Mississippi judge of election, as described by Senator Money, does not seem to be an over-strict interpreter of what has been supposed to be the Mississippi law.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Old Confederates will recognize in General Miles's plan for the reorganization of the army, the army, corps, division and brigade classification which were so familiar to the Southern soldier in the great war. It was taken by the Confederacy almost bodily from the systems prevalent in the more advanced States of the continent of Europe, and it has always been a matter of surprise that the Federal States did not adopt it as soon as they saw its efficiency demonstrated in their battles with our armies. In his report upon the subject just presented to Congress, General Miles is generous enough to say that his plan follows models which have been "found most efficient in the armies of all other civilized nations, and similar to that which was found to be most effective in the Confederate army betwen 1861-'65."

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An exchange says: "Col. B. J. Baldwin, aged 70 years, is dead. He was the last survivor of Gen. Robert E. Lee's staff." Is not Col. Walter H. Taylor, General Lee's chief of staff, still living in Norfolk? He was the last we heard of him.

Electric Lights, Paved Streets, Sewerage System, Handsome New Graded School Buildings, Own the Water Works

MR. EDITOR:—I read with much interest the communication of your correspondent a few days since on the needs of our city. He is correct, we need all he says and more. I also read the Mayor's article suggesting a purchase of a site near the center of town and the erection of handsome graded school buildings.

I believe the Board of Trustees can accomplish this very result if they will take hold of the matter. I know there are some live and progressive men on the board, and I urge them to work on the lines indicated, and in another year or two we will have a graded school building to which we can point the stranger with pride, and which will attract strangers to live in our midst—for a good system of schools and attractive surroundings are as much necessary for the progress of the city as any public institution.

If the citizens of Fayetteville, who travel, could be drawn together in a public meeting and let them tell of what smaller towns are doing in the way of paving streets, in lighting the streets, in building sewerage systems, and how people and capital are being attracted to such towns, it would open the eyes of many people.

Greensboro is thriving and growing. She was making but little progress until she began public improvements. Now her streets are paved—the principal ones—they are well lighted, she has a sewerage system, and business is good, because people are attracted to the town. They carry money with them. Factories are being erected, and there is a hustle apparent on all sides. Goldsboro is spending $30,000. I am told, in permanently paving her streets—and since the town commenced public improvements, in accord with modern ideas and comforts, the town has steadily improved. So it is with Wilson, High Point, Salisbury, Charlotte, Durham, and many other cities, whose population, by the next census, will show much larger increase than Fayetteville.

Is Fayetteville improving? Is she doing anything to improve the appearance and attractiveness of the town? Is she doing anything likely to attract men of capital? Is she doing anything to encourage her own citizens?

Answer these questions, citizens, and if the answer is in the negative ask yourself why.

Ought we not to at least attempt to make some permanent improvement? Are we doing any work of a permanent nature?

Are we throwing dirt out of the ditches on the sidewalks only to be washed back by the next rain? That is the way it was done 100 years ago, and yet we are doing the same thing today.

Men of capital, and people who have money to live in ease, are not going to a town without modern improvements. Then let us begin to do something. Pave market square and gradually extend it in all directions. Curb Hay, Person, Gillespie and Green streets, then gradually others. All this can be done in one year, but a little accomplished each year would soon make a wonderful improvement, and give tone to the future hopes of the community. I would like to see a general discussion of these matters. Let the Mayor call a public meeting of the citizens. How many public spirited and progressive citizens would willingly agree that they would keep the "front of their doors" (by that I mean the sidewalk &c.) in order, so that the street fund could be partly used to permanently improve the principal streets. Gradually the improvements would spread to all.

It is only by these means that we can hope to make permanent improvements. We can do something if we will pull together, and I say let's try.

PRO GRESS

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, rundown people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold by B. E. Sedberry & Son, druggists.

The President's Messagage in London.

A London Cable to The New York Sun says.

The newspapers here comment at much length on President McKinley's message. The declaration regarding the Nicaragua Canal in relation to the Clayton-Bulwer treaty especially fixes attention. The Morning Post refers to 1850 as the golden age, when British and American politicians lived on philanthropic principles. It traces the change in American opinion concerning the canal through President Garfield's Administration to the present time. "Nobody," it says, "can help seeing that in their later thoughts the Americans are more in accordance with their obvious national interests than in their earlier ones. 'When a Government,' said Prince Bismarck, 'makes a treaty which runs counter to national interests, it is sooner or later compelled to say to the other party, times have changed.' That is the American attitude toward the treaty of 1850, and it seems to us quite intelligible."

The Post thinks that the proposal to increase the army and navy is not extraordinary. It credits President McKinley with sincerity in treating the occupation of Cuba as temporary, but thinks that he is overs anguine, for, "for practical purposes, Cuba is and probably ought to be an American protectorate, and from that condition we should hardly expect to see it emerge."

The Daily Mail, referring to the canal, says: "It would only be an affectation of good feeling to refrain from expressing surprise and disappointment. It is as perfectly well known on the other side of the Atlantic as on this that the canal cannot be under the sole control of the United States without a violation of a solemn treaty with this country. It is strange that the United States should propose this course, seeing that joint control by them and ourselves would be emblematic of the tangible existence of new partnership interests."

The Daily News, noting Mr. McKinley's reference to the prosperity of the United States, says: "We do not want to see war made easier, but the liberation of Cuba was a righteous act, and one may, without sharing the emotions of the yellow press, be glad that the United States did not suffer thereby."

The News considers the references to the Anglo American relations as most friendly and cordial. It compares Mr. McKinley to Mr. Chamberlain, to the former's advantage. It says: "Mr. McKinley does not force the pace like Mr. Chamberlain. He takes things more quietly and more soberly. He is therefore far more likely to promote closer intercourse between the new country and the old."

The Standard, remarking that the message formally inaugurates a new epoch in the political history of the United States, traces sympathetically the circumstances which drove the United States into war like action, which resulted in undesigned conques's and predicts that now, having once entered the path of assimilation of new territories, they will advance therein.

The Standard alludes to the reference to the Nicaragua Canal as an announcement of considerable interest, but refrains from further comment. Turning to China, it welcomes the suggestion that a commission be sent to China to study the commercial and industrial conditions of the country, and says that "for purposes of the British policy no intimation could be more welcome."

The Daily Graphic says: "The President's observations concerning China will satisfy the free traders of this country. The obvious identity of the American and British policy in the Far East lends additional force to the paragraph on the most friendly relations between the two countries."

The Chronicle says: "President McKinley's form of words in reference to the Nicaragua Canal will come rather as a surprise to the students of diplomatic history, although doubtless his exact intention would not evoke such a sentiment. Nobody reading his words and not otherwise informed would imagine for a moment that the United States are bound by a solemn treaty with this country to refrain from securing or attempting to secure any such exclusive control as is here declared to be indispensible. This is a question which will arise before long in a more acute form, and we, therefore, content ourselves with thus calling attention to the President's surprising form of words."

The Chronicle compares Mr. McKinley's reference to Cuba with the language successive British Governments have used concerning Egypt, adding: "With a result known to all the world, and the omen is certainly not inaplicable."

The Times says that the message is sober in tone and moderate in its recommendations. It thinks that Mr. McKinley's position regarding Cuba is especially deserving of notice, and says:

"When the somewhat comprehensive conditions for the future government of the island have been fulfilled the United States will be under the same obligations for ultimate retirement which France contracted when she occupied Tunis, and by which Great Britain became bound more than fifteen years ago in regard to Egypt."

Referring to the declarations concerning the Nicaragua Canal, it says:

"We do not know that these propositions can be disputed, though this country possesses equal rights with the United States under the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, but if the freedom of the waterway were secured to the ships of all nations, as in the case of the Suez Canal, we do not see what object we should have in steading directly upon claims which originated when the circumstances were altogether different."

Two Pointed Questions Answered.

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The South and the Democracy.

Atlanta Constitution.

The Washington Post has a typographically emphasized editorial article with this title, in which it pays a very high tribute to southern democracy. Our contemporary says that the south, today, equips the democratic party with most of its brains and its conservatism, and yet refuses to take its proper place in the conduct and management of the party. "No greater anomaly," The Post remarks, "can be imagined than that which is presented by the south's acquiescence in the ridiculous hypothesis set up within the democratic councils by the north and east. It has reached a point at which even northern and eastern democrats regard it with wonder and contempt."

If the foregoing had been written in the summer of 1896 preceding the Chicago convention, it would have been a very timely presentation of one of the most odious afflictions from which a party ever suffered. Prior to that time, the democrats of the north and east, representing republican states, insisted upon twisting democratic doctrines to suit the monopolies and syndicates which they represented, and upon naming candidates whom they knew to be in sympathy with their schemes. The most flagrant case in point was the second nomination of Grover Cleveland in 1892. In the platform, the financial declaration was arranged to be interpreted one way in the south, and another way at the north and east.

It is perfectly well known that this second nomination of Cleveland was a conspiracy of the gold men, not only to carry out the wholesale scheme of plunder which has actually occurred in the decrease of values and the enhancement of debts, but to destroy the party itself. Cleveland was entirely faithful to his part of the contract. On every occasion he played openly into the hands of the men who procured his nomination. If they wanted a law violated, well and good; if they demanded a midnight bond deal, likewise well and good; it was all the same to Cleveland. He turned his back on his party and his party's platform, and did his little all to destroy the organization. And he would have succeeded but for the southern democracy, which lost no time in repudiating him and his views.

In 1896, the southern democrats did precisely what The Post now advises them to do. In co operation with genuine democrats from all parts of the country—for there is nothing sectional about democracy—they took the affairs of the party in their own hands. They ignored the schemers of the north and east, told them the party had a door by which men could go out as well as come in, made a platform in which they declared true democratic principles, and nominated candidates of their choice.

Now, what happened in 1896, will happen again in 1900.

While we indorse the advice of The Post as sound and wholesome, we have the pleasure of reporting that it was faithfully and emphatically followed two years before it was given. All that the southern democrats now need is the congratulations and the blessings of our able contemporary.

A Just Tribute to Bryan.

When Col. Bryan was in Washington a few weeks ago, the Executive Committee of the Maryland Democratic Association sent him a letter from which the following extract is taken:

"The Executive Committee of the Maryland Democratic Association deem it a privilege and a pleasure to present this basket of flowers to Col. Wm. J. Bryan, as a token of their respect, love and esteem for him who, more than any man living, stands as the personification of the most vital issue affecting the welfare of all the people of our Nation and of the world. The intelligent, aggressive and disinterested advocacy of the cause of the plain people that marked your entrance into public life at once awakened a response in the hearts of your countrymen, and singled you out as an object of their affection. Your steadfast devotion to principle, your untiring zeal in the cause of the people, and the recognition by them of your rare talents, combined to make you their chosen leader in their contest for deliverance from the evils that are threatening the overthrow of republican institutions and the establishment of a plutocracy to rule and plunder under forms of law."

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"Amen" to This, Should all Democrats Say.

Raleigh News and Observer.

The Democrats of Cleveland county have given Mr. B. Y. Webb, county chairman, a gold watch in recognition of his valuable services in the campaign. He was one of the best chairmen in North Carolina, and the presentation was a graceful recognition of his services. Some days ago, Chowan gave its efficient chairman, Mr. W. M. Bond, a gold watch.

This puts us in mind to say that after the elections are over, it is too often the case that the party forgets the labors and sacrifice of the county chairmen, and gives positions of trust to other good men who did not bear the heat and burden of the day, forgetting that the county chairman ought to be first recognized and given the best plum in the dish. Wake did the proper thing in making its chairman, Mr. Armistead Jones, county attorney. His work entitled him to a place much higher, but the new board of commissioners gave him the first position that they had, thus giving partial recognition of his services.

North Carolina's Roll of Honor is its county chairmen. They ought not to have to ask for anything, but ought to be given the pick of positions within the gift of the party.

The Senate and the Treaty.

Washington telegram to the New York Sun.

Senators interested in the question of whether a treaty of peace can be ratified at the present session have made a careful and unbiassed canvass of the Senate, which shows that fifty of the ninety present members are avowed advocates of ratification. In the new Senate they are eight or ten votes stronger, and as it is evident that the treaty would have the necessary two-thirds vote and be promptly ratified at an extra session, its friends think that the opposition will graciously consent to ratification by the present Senate. Those who are counted for the treaty are:

Republicans—Aldrich, Allison, Baker, Burrows, Carter, Chandler, Clark, Cullom, Davis, Deboe, Elkins, Fairbanks, Foraker, Frye, Gallinger, Gear, Hanna, Hansbrough, Hawley, Lodge, McBride, McMillan, Mason, Nelson, Penrose, Perkins, Platt, of Connecticut, Platt, of New York, Pritchard, Proctor, Quay, Sewall, Shoup, Thurston, Warren, Wetmore, Wilson, Wolcott and Simons.

Democrats—Gray, Lindsay, Morgan and Pettus.

Populists and Silver—Cannon, Kyle, Mantle, Stewart, Teller, Turner and Heitfield.

Those who are counted surely against the treaty, twenty-six in number, are:

Republicans—Hale and Morrill.

Democrats—Bacon, Bate, Berry, Caffery, Chilton, Clay, Cockrell, Faulkner, Gorman, Jones of Arkansas, McEnery, Mallory, Mitchell, Murphy, Pasco, Roach, Smith, Tillman, Turley, Turpie, Vest and White.

Populists—Butler and Pettigrew.

The fourteen counted as doubtful are:

Republicans—Hoar, Spooner and Wellington.

Democrats—Mills, Daniel, Martin, Money, Rawlings, Kenny, McLaurin and Sullivan.

Populists and Silver—Allen, Jones of Navada and Harris.

A Notable Prayer.

This is the prayer of the blind chaplain of the Senate, the Rev. Dr. Milburn, at the opening of Congress. It is in singularly good taste:

"By Thy good providence," the Chaplain prayed, "triumph has crowned our arms by land and sea, so that peace has come to us through the council chamber. Let Thy grace be the portion of our people, and may their hearts be rendered in service to Thee and to all men. We pray that Thy blessing may be with the Queen Regent of Spain and her young son, and on her nation. May Thy heavenly grace come to secure and uplift and uphold that stricken people. Grant that all good may be given to us, to our mother land, and to all nations; and may we walk hand in hand with our brethren across the sea to the heights of Christian civilization."

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement, that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefitted from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at B. E. Sedberry & Son's Drug Store, large bottles 50c. and $1.00.

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Rev Mr. Bishop to Leave Us.

Rev. F. A. Bishop, Presiding Elder of this District, took his family to Siedman Friday and will make his home there until the erection of the district parsonage in this city.

Lieut. Williams Goes to Join His Command.

Lieut. Alex. Williams, who has been here several months on sick furlough, having contracted the malarial fever before Santiago, left Thursday to join his regiment, the fighting Second Regulars, at Anniston, Ala.

Married.

Miss Mary Bell Conoly was married Thursday morning at her home near Antioch church, Robeson county, to Mr. Thomas Culbreth, of this county, Rev. P. R. Law officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Culbreth leave on the Coast Line this evening for their home in Florida.

Died.

Mrs. Lizzie Smith, sister of Capt. J. D. Malloy, was buried Thursday at Lumber Bridge. Mrs. Smith has been in feeble health for some time and her death was not unexpected.

Death of Mr. Thos. Sellars.

Mr. Thos. Sellars, well known in this city, died at his home on the Wilmington Road Thursday, aged about 50. He leaves a wife and one son, Mr. W. B. Sellars of this city. The deceased was a nephew of the late Malcom Faulk.

Cotton From Afar.

Fayetteville's reputation as a good cotton market is well scattered abroad as heretofore noted by us, but we hardly expected it to bring us cotton ten miles this side of the South Carolina line and seven miles below Lumberton. Ten bales were hauled here this morning from the place indicated and marketed at prices well above those obtainable nearer the place of growth.

A Deplorable Affair.

A young man of excellent and highly esteemed family connections in this city, and himself a good fellow when sober, went to the Sanctification meeting in McKethans' Hall Thursday night, while drunk, and attempted to lay out the whole congregation, preacher and all. In the midst of his discourse, Rev. Mr. Brooks was violently seized around the waist by this young man, and but for prompt interference, it is said, would have been pitched out of the window. A general scuffle then ensued, and it was not until the police arrived on the scene that quiet was restored. The young man was taken to the guard house, where he was kept for a couple of hours and then escorted home.

He was to have appeared for trial this morning at 10 o'clock, but the hearing has been postponed until tomorrow.

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Hundreds of the people of Fayetteville enjoyed an exceptionally fine entertainment Wednesday evening at the residence of Mrs. Mary Hinsdale, and the Dick street committee of the Monumental Association have reason to congratulate themselves on the brilliant success attending their efforts. The programme embraced beautiful selections in vocal music by Mrs. Morgan and Miss Ellen Underwood with instrumental accompaniments by Miss Maggie McNeill and Miss Bessie McNeill, the latter performing delightfully on the violin; charming recitations by Rev. I. W. Hughes, whose elocutionary powers are remarkable, and Miss Eliza Hill Robeson, who has more than once delighted audiences of this city; and a dance by Miss Maggie Belle McDonald, who is as graceful and winsome as a fawn.

Great interest centered in the "Spelling bee," and there they were "shooting for good," for it was no child's play. Rev. I. W. Hughes conducted the exercises, and the words he propounded to the class were regular tongue-tanglers. The wounded fell out one by one, until it became a triangular contest of Misses Mattie Sedberry and Belle Alderman and Mr. E. J. Lilly, resulting finally in the awarding of the prize to Miss Sedberry, an accomplished teacher of the graded school. Maj. B. R. Huske presented the prize, a handsome plaque of American poets in a very graceful speech, closing with an eloquent tribute to the Confederate soldier. The prize for the bean guessing was won by Capt. E. L. Pemberton (OF COURSE.)

A nice supper was served and heartily enjoyed for the small sum of a dime. A pleasant feature of the evening was the appearance in the hall of a colored string band, who complimented by rendering some fine selections.

Put a big gorgeous ostrich feather in the cap of the ladies of Dick and Gillespie streets, who are: Mrs. Hinsdale, Mrs. A H. Slocomb, Mrs. N. B. Alexander and Miss Della Matthews.

The Sale of Cumberland Mills.

The Cumberland Mills property was sold at auction Thursday morning in accordance with a decree of the court in the case of the Eastern Building and Loan Association of Syracuse, N. Y., against Cumberland Mills and others. Col. Jno. W. Hinsdale, representing the Association, was present and bid in the property at $10,000. Col. Hinsdale says the purchasers will, no doubt, shortly dispose of the property and that the factory will then be started up again. It is a splendid water power and we trust that the property will fall into competent hands.

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WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

"Where the gold Democrats are numerically weak they will profess to accept the platform, but will oppose every plan that is calculated to bring success to the platform."
—William J. Bryan to National Committeeman C. S. Thomas, of Colorado.

MR BRYAN'S RESIGNATION.

We are sure that true Democrats everywhere will rejoice that the signing of the Peace Treaty has afforded Mr. Bryan the opportunity of resigning from the army, and that he has promptly availed himself of it. He will now be free to attend to the momentous duty of leading the Democratic party, of which he is the recognized head, in the Second Battle, now impending.

There is no sort of doubt that Mr. Bryan is stronger to-day than ever. He is feared by the enemies of the people as no other man is. These have calculated upon his being bottled up by near two years more of military service, and that, too, in a distant land. They will now fly at him in anger. But we are confident that the good sense of the people, even of many of those politically opposed to him, will applaud his action since the war began throughout. Of the latter class is the fair-minded Washington Post, which contains this truthful statement of the case:

We confidently expect that William J. Bryan's resignation of the Colonelcy of the Third Nebraska Regiment will be utilized as a fresh pretext for covering that much-abused gentleman with reproach and ridicule. The monometallist organs have never forgiven him the anguish and alarm he inflicted on them in 1896, and, even now, the bare mention of his name is enough to throw them into an insensate frenzy. When he volunteered at the call of his country, he was held up to odium and execration as a political jobber using a national emergency to further his personal aspirations. Now that he resigns, when the country no longer needs him, he will be made the victim of new forms of malice and mendacity.

The truth in Mr. Bryan's case is, in our opinion at least, that he has acted in good faith and with perfectly unselfish motives from the beginning. He responded to the President's summons in order to hasten the funishing of Nebraska's quota. He took the ground that if the nation needed soldiers he owed it to himself and to the flag to set the example of a prompt and earnest patriotism. He was young, vigorous, enthusiastic; he was the most prominent and influential of Democrats; he went for his own satisfaction and for the encouragement of others. Surely no serious and honest man will claim that Mr. Bryan had anything to gain for himself by becoming Colonel of a volunteer regiment.

He was not a professional soldier. He had no military aspirations. There was no army possibility that could by any means attract him. Why should any one ascribe to a man who, two years ago, got 6,500,000 votes for the Presidency the mean and shabby motives of an ordinary office-seeker?

Now Mr. Bryan has resigned, and it seems to us that his action is entirely consistent with our theory of the impulse upon which he originally enlisted. Unquestionably a man who, without military ambitions or proclivities, enters the service through a sense of patriotic duty, is justified in withdrawing when the emergency which prompted him originally has been removed by circumstances. The signing of the peace protocol at Paris does away with the last remaining possibility of war, so fsr, at least, as Spain is concerned. Mr. Bryan is not a soldier, does not want to adopt the military profession, cares less than nothing for gold braid and shoulder straps—what conceivable impropriety can there be in his resigning on the consummation of peace and at the cessation of all legitimate demands upon his unselfish sacrifice?

We do not expect that reason and common sense, to say nothing of decency and justice, will seal the mouths of Mr. Bryan's traducers. As we have predicted, the work of detraction and abuse will speed upon its merry way, without regard to fact or reason. But honest men, fair-minded men, and decent men will think of all these things, and the ranks of Mr. Bryan's accusers will be recruited chiefly from those quarters into which his candidacy, two years ago, brought such terror and hatred and consternation.

Volunteers No Good, Says Von Goetzen.

In his lecture at the Kaiserhof in Berlin, the other evening, Count Von Goetzen, late German military attache at Washington, is reported to have spoken "sympathically of the American Army and Navy, except so far as the volunteers were concerned. He said the only good volunteers were the Rough Riders."

That is rather hard on the 71st New York and the 2nd Massachusetts, the only volunteers engaged, we believe, besides the Rough Riders.

For House Reading Clerk

A friend writes us as follows concerning a former newspaper colleague:

"The next Legislature can do no better than elect Mr. Wm. H. McDevitt of Washington, Beaufort County, N. C., for Reading Clerk of the House. Of good old Scotch ancestry, a zealous and loyal Democrat, a worker in the ranks for fifteen years, capable, of pleasant address, a good reader, he is well equipped and fit. His election would be a fitting recognition of his services as assistant editor for about ten years of the Washington Gazette, leading Democratic paper of the First District."

The OBSERVER would be glad to see Mr. McDevitt elected to the position named. Newspaper men get entirely too little recognition for their arduous and loyal work.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, Dec. 12, 1898.

The democrats of the House were entirely too smart for the busybodies who have been working so hard to make that adjourned democratic caucus a cat and dog fight that would have resulted in encouraging faction and otherwise injuring the democratic party. The caucus was held, and there was no fight at all. On the contrary, the meeting was entirely harmonious and not even any show of hard feelings was indulged in by anybody. According to the rule governing democratic caucuses, no action could be taken upon anything except the resolution offered at the caucus held last June, providing that an affirmative vote of two thirds of a caucus should make caucus action binding upon the whole body, except in cases where individuals have pledged their word or been instructed by their conventions to the contrary. This resolution was adopted without opposition. There was no talk in the caucus about the party policy to be pursued at the present session.

The bill prepared by Gen. Miles for the reorganization of the army, has been introduced in Congress, but that is about as far as it will ever get, as the full bill, prepared largely under the direction of Secretary Alger, is backed by the administration and by the republican leaders in the House, and is, unless present plans are changed, to be put through the House before the Christmas recess. The democrats are opposed to keeping the volunteers in service until the Army Reorganization bill becomes a law, as proposed by the administration, but their protests will not, it is feared, change the programme, because the demand to get the volunteers mustered out is counted upon to help get the votes needed to authorize the increase of the regular army to 100,000 men. The House Military Committee has favorably reported a resolution offered by Representative Ray, of Virginia, asking the Secretary of War to inform the House what towns in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Phillippines will have to be garrisoned by United States troops, the number of troops for each town and the number that will be required at home.

The Phillippine problem is giving the republicans no end of trouble. Gen. Grosvenor, of Ohio, is not a timid man in handling political questions, but he acknowledged himself at a loss what to do with this one when he said, after discussing several of the propositions that have been made to get rid of the islands: "For my part, I wish the Phillippines were in the bottom of the sea." Mr. McKinley has allowed it to become known to his party leaders that he has no intention to lead in a Phillippine policy, but will be perfectly satisfied to follow any policy that promises to be in accord with public sentiment, with preference that it should be one that will enable us to get rid of the Phillippines, if it be possible to do so without laying this country open to the charge of trafficking in human liberty, for a profit, and without causing war. There is reason for saying that that if it had to be done over again, Mr. McKinley would not demand possession of the Phillippines, and would save the $20,000,000 which we must pay Spain for something we do not know what to do with. But that sort of hind sight doesn't help the situation one bit.

The Naval clique that has been trying to keep Lieut. Hobson from receiving attention and deserved glory, ever since his return from a Spanish prison, has succeeded in getting him ordered out of the country for an indefinite period. It was discovered that Hobson was just the man needed to superintend the repairs on the Spanish gun boats, sunk by Dewey in Manila bay, which have been raised and sent to Hong Kong, under a contract made by Dewey. Hobson tried to get a short leave of absence to attend to some private matters, before going so far away, but it was refused him and he was given peremptory orders to leave for Hong Kong on the steamer that sails from San Francisco, Christmas eve.

The proposition that England and the United States jointly build and control the Nicaragua Canal, has not met with any marked favor in Congress. The Morgan Bill, by which the United States will own a controlling interest in the Company which will build the Canal, guaranteeing therefor $100,000,000 of the Company's bonds, to be be issued at the discretion of the President, is now before the Senate, with the right of way. Senator Morgan, its author, says it will pass by a big majority. Democrats generally would prefer that the Canal be built directly by this government and owned by it, but it is not regarded as a party question, and each Democratic Senator will vote in accordance with his individual views. What the House will do with this bill will depend largely upon the attitude of the administration towards it—an attitude not yet clearly defined, although Mr. McKinley is committed in favor of building the Canal.

Two resolutions for Congressional investigation of the war, have been offered, one by Senator Vest, and the other by Representative Sulzer, but there is little probability that either will be adopted.

"Where Jefferson Put It."

Ex Governor Stone, of Missouri, is a wise as well as a true Democrat, and he agrees entirely with Mr. Bryan and the great majority of Democrats on the subject of "expansion." In a special dispatch from St. Louis to the Baltimore Sun he is thus quoted:

"The attempt of certain would-be censors of democratic politics to make it appear that there are schisms in the party in Missouri would be amusing, if it were not ridiculous in the way of setting forth the facts," said former Governor Stone today.

In response to a question as to what he thought of Senator Vest's anti-colonial resolution, Mr. Stone said: "Mr. Vest's resolution was all right, and in line with the policy of democrats everywhere. I don't know of any democrat in favor of the United States launching forth on an imperialistic and colonial policy. I have said that the democratic party stands on this question of territorial expansion exactly where Thomas Jefferson put it, and that was the United States has no right to acquire territory, except to develop it into a condition of statehood. That was Jefferson's idea and it has been strikingly followed out, and by a democratic administration, too."

"You think, then, that the democrats will be harmonious on the question of territorial expansion in their next convention?" was asked.

"I apprehend no serious division on that point. There is a studied effort to work friction between the leaders of the party on this score, but it will fail. Democrats are discussing future policies forced by the exigencies of war, and there is to be no mistake as to the position the party occupies on the expansion issue."

THE END OF A GREAT EMPIRE

Is it the Beginning of the End of Another?

A Saturday night's Paris cable says:

The treaty of peace was signed at 8 o'clock this evening.

The signing of the treaty tonight would have afforded a subject for a great historical painting. The group gathered about the table in the stately chamber of the Foreign Office, was impressive in itself, while the fact that the sense of the momentousness of the issues which the act decided was deeply felt by all the participants, gave an impressive and solemn tone to the scene.

Around the great mahogany table sat the ten arbiters of the destinies of an old and a young nation. Ranged standing behind them were numerous attaches of the American Commission.

The jets from the crystal chandeliers above the heads of those present magnified the brilliant green and scarlet of the upholstering into gaudiness.

A THEATRICAL CONTRAST.

There was a theatrical contrast between the black clothed actors and the scenery. To the Americans it was a happy ending of the epilogue of war; for the Spaniards it was plainly a bitter tragedy, none the less painful because long foreseen.

They sat silently as though almost crushed, and none could withhold sympathy from Senor Montero Rios, the president of the Spanish Commission, who, coming from his bed, was bundled in a great overcoat, although logs were burning in the fireplace nearby.

The spirits of the two bodies were symbolized by the clothes worn by the members of the commissions, for the Americans were attired in evening dress for the dinner given them immediately after the meeting by the Duc de Loubat, and the Spaniards wore black frock coats.

TIME LENGTHENS OUT.

Although the commissions met at half past three o'clock, expecting to finish their work in half an hour, the engrossing of the treaty on parchment was found to be so troublesome that it delayed the signing of the document until 8:20. Clerk Martin, of the American Commission, worked all day without even stopping to eat. When he came into the chamber at 7:30 with the document, he found the commissioners waiting. The Spanish copy had arrived a half hour earlier.

THE FIRST SIGNATURE.

Mr. Arthur Ferguson then proceeded to read first the English, and after that the Spanish version of the treaty. This finished, two copies were passed around the table, the commissioners signing them in the order of their rank:

William R. Day, Senator Cushman K. Davis, Senator William P. Frye, Whitelaw Reid and Senator George Gray; Senor Montero Rios, Senor Abarzuza, Senor Garnica, Senor Villaurutia and General Cerero y Seaons, each commission signing its opponents treaty. Both were tied with the Spanish and American colors.

When the seals were prepared to be affixed, attendants were sent scurrying for ribbons of the French tri-color, with which the documents were sealed as a compliment to the French hosts of the commissions.

Many officials interested watched every detail of the proceedings.

VAE VICTIS!

The last seal being impressed, the commissioners rose, and without formality, each member shook the hands of all his antagonists and exchanged assurances of sincere personal esteem. The Spaniards afterward commented acridly upon what they termed the bad taste of the Americans in mustering a crowd of attaches to gloat over the consummation of their downfall and to scramble for relics.

The signing was finished at 8:48. At that time the door of the chamber opened and Senor Villaurutia appeared and exclaimed to a group of correspondents, who were waiting in the corridor, "C'Est fini." The other members of the Spanish commission followed Senor Villaurutia and passed silently through the vestibule to their waiting carriages. The American commission strolled out chatting complacently, and as they descended the steps, the lights in the chamber were darkened.

THE TREATY AS SIGNED.

The treaty as signed consists of seventeen articles, it having been found advisable to sub divide two or three of the articles in the draft agreed upon at the last meeting.

The commissioners of the two nations wrote their signatures on two copies of the treaty, one copy being for the archives.

The document was prepared by Secretary Moore in behalf of the United States commission and by Senor Villaurutia for Spain, on account of the continued illness of Secretary Ojeda, of the Spanish commission.

Each copy contained the English and Spanish texts of the treaty in paralleled columns. The wording had been approved previously by the commissioners without a joint meeting, so there was no controversy on this subject.

A VULGAR SCRAMBLE.

There has been a great contest among the families and friends of the American commissioners for possession of the pens with which the signatures to the treaty were written. Some of the Americans were provided with hand-some pens purchased for the purpose. The Spaniards appeared to be unaffected by the souvenir craze and contented themselves with ordinary quill pens strewn on the table.

Just prior to the final reading of the treaty the commissioners were photographed.

Troops Included in Spain's Surrender.

The Spanish troops included in the surrender of Spanish possessions to the United States during the war may be summarized as follows:

Santiago, surrendered	22,000
Manila, surrendered	13,000
Cervera, surrendered	1,200
Porto Rico, repatriated	8,000
*Havana, repatriated	100,000
Total	144,300

*Including provinces outside Havana, but not including Santiago.

Juries in Mexico.

There are no "professional jurors" in Mexico. Nine of a man's peers try him, and a majority is a verdict. If the nine are unanimous, there is no appeal. To serve on a jury one must have a diploma in law, medicine or some other profession, or an income of $100 a month, or he must be a member of a family whose head has an income of $2 000 a year.

[Qualification to serve on a jury is not so exacting in this country, remarks a friend.]

Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies But early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. King Bros.

The Democratic Caucus.

The Democratic caucus which was held Saturday night at Washington clearly sustained Mr. Bailey. Mr. Bailey is a Bryan man, and hence the efforts by the Republican papers to belittle him.

The telegrams give the following account of the proceedings:

Among those present were: Representatives Bailey, of Texas; Richardson, of Tennessee; De Armond and Bland, of Missouri; Wheeler, of Alabama; Allen, of Mississippi; McRae, of Arkansas, and Sayers, of Texas. Representatives McMillin, of Tennessee, and Bankhead, of Alabama, were not among those present.

The meeting was devoid of any personal or sensational features and was devoted to a brief discussion of the wisdom of making caucus action binding. A resolution to this effect had been introduced by Mr. Bailey and this was pending with an amendment by Mr. McRae, of Arkansas. The main interest centered in the ability of Bailey and his friends to pass the resolution.

At the outset Mr. De Armond made a point of order against the regularity of the resolution, but Chairman Richardson did not sustain the point.

In order to test the strength of the Bailey forces, Mr. Clardy, of Kentucky, moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution had been agreed to at the last session. The motion was tabled—62 to 13—thus establishing that the advocates of the resolution had a clear majority.

The resolutions were then adopted without division. They are as follows:

Resolved, That hereafter the action of a democratic caucus shall be binding upon all who participate in its proceedings, provided that no member shall be required to vote for any bill which he may deem unconstitutional; and, provided further, that in all matters except the nomination of officers and questions of procedure, no decision shall be binding unless made by two thirds of those voting.

Resolved, That while acting in conformity to the principles declared by the last national democratic convention and the constitution of the United States, the democrats in each State and in each congressional district have a right to determine for themselves in their own locality what their policy shall be; to make platforms for, accept pledges from their candidates, and to instruct their members of congress, and the full exercise of such right of local party self government should in all cases be respected by democratic congressional caucuses.

Beyond the adoption of the foregoing no action was taken, and at 9 o'clock the caucus adjourned.

Mr. Bailey said after the caucus:

"I have no desire to discuss the action of the caucus further than to say that it must now be plain to all thinking men that the stories of serious division in the democratic party were the inventions of a few sensational newspapers."

The Spanish Protest.

A Madrid cable says:

The memorandum of protest presented to the American Peace Commissioners by Senor Rios, objects to the refusal of the Americans to surrender the securities deposited in the treasuries of Cuba and Porto Rico by private Spaniards, remarking that "never has a civilized nation committed such an act of violence."

Secondly—It protests against the ultimatum demanding the Phillippines.

Thirdly—It protests against the position in which those Spaniards are placed who desire to remain in Cuba.

Fourthly—It protests against the reference to the destruction of the Maine in President McKinley's message to the United States Congress. On this point the memorandum says:

"Spain has proposed arbitration, but the United States refuses to give her the right which is granted to a criminal, namely, the right of defending himself. The Spanish commissioners leave the care of fixing the responsibility for the explosion to the entire world, which will say whether those are responsible who desire the truth, or those refusing to seek it."

Friendly to the South.

The New York Journal supported the Democratic nominee for President in 1896, and has apparently for that reason excited the animosity of the gold papers. The Kinston Free Press is informed that the article extensively quoted from the Journal exhibiting a hostile feeling to Southern whites, was a communication from a correspondent, and not an editorial of the Journal.

Says the Free Press:

In the issue of November 18th, speaking of the proposal to cut down representation because of disfranchisement of certain citizens, the Journal says:

"In the south the states of Mississippi and South Carolina exclude ignorant citizens from the suffrage by educational qualifications, but if we punish them for that we shall have to punish the northern states of Massachusetts, Connecticut, California and Wyoming, which do the same thing. Almost every state in the union enforces restrictions on the suffrage which it would be difficult to harmonize with the letter of the fourteenth amendment Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Delaware, Missouri and West Virginia exclude paupers; Indiana and Montana disfranchise United States soldiers, sailors and marines, and Vermont refuses to allow anybody to vote unless he has obtained the approbation of the board of civil authority of the town in which he resides. What a beautiful instrument that last provision would be for maintaining Caucasian supremacy in North Carolina! When it comes to enforcing constitutional amendments it will be found that this is a nation and that there is not one constitution for the north and another for the south."

The above does not look like the Journal is antagonistic to the south.

Another Deer Hunt.

Messrs. Chas. Haigh, W. N. Williams and D. J. Ray have gone to Cedar Creek to be the guests of Mr. Neill Thaggard in a deer hunt.

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Bladen County News.

DUBLIN, BLADEN COUNTY, N. C., December 10, 1898.

Last Monday the newly elected democratic officials of Bladen assumed the duties of their respective offices as follows:

Sheriff—S. G. Wooten.
Clerk Superior Court—A. M. McNeill.
Register of Deeds—J. S. Williamson.
Treasurer—R. L. Bridges.
Surveyor—J. W. Downing.
Coroner—C. M. Roberts.
County Commissioners—C. P. Parker, C. W. Lyon and Dr. W. K. Anders.

C. P. Parker was re elected Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.

Messrs. W. Irving Shaw and K. B. Council were elected members of the Board of Education vice Messrs. C. W. Lyon and Dr. W. K. Anders resigned.

Magistrates and Constables elect for Bladen County:

Abbott's—J. H. Thompson, N. G. Goodin, R. W. Thompson. (The vote for constable was a tie and a new election was held last week.)

Bethel—J. J. McMillan, M. Pait, F. Willis; Constable, Owen Carroll.

Bladenboro—Brat Singletary, Jos. Hester, C. L. Davis; Constable, John Wilson.

Brown Marsh—A. K. Cromartie, M. W. Buie, G. W. Burney; Constable, A. McCulloch.

Carver's Creek—J. N. Rhodes, G. P. Devane, J. A. Lennell; Constable, Jos. Cromartie.

Colly—R. P. Melvin, R. H. Marshburn, L. H. Johnson; Constable, J. W. Marshburn.

Cypress Creek—J. F. Parker, L. T. Cain, E. R. Peterson; Constable, J. W. Smith.

Elizabethtown—Fred McDowell (col), J. M. Cromartie (col), W. P. Dove; Constable, H. C. White.

French's Creek—E. H. Anders, J. M. Daniel, W. J. Kelly; Constable, W. H. Hargrove.

Hollow—J. B Hall, F. L. Purdie (col); Constable, E. D. Beard.

Lake Creek—W. Irving Shaw, W. R. Dyson, T. P. Fisher; Constable, H. Q. Johnson.

Turnbull—C. M. Cain, M. O. Edge, J. H. Downing; Constable, B. F. Tatum.

White Oak—C. T. Davis, A. McA. Council, W. H. Culbreth; Constable, J. C. Bullard.

White's Creek—C. K. Council, A. Allen, J. S. Blackburn; Constable, M. H. Smith.

J. J. MCMILLAN.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by B. E Sedberry & Son.

Our New Methodist Pastor.

Rev. Dr. Nash and family left today for Washington, where the Doctor will enter immediately upon his new pastorate. Rev. Mr. Cuninggim will arrive here in a few days and will receive a hearty welcome from the Fayetteville Methodists and public generally.

The Wilmington Messenger of yesterday says:

At the 7:30 p. m. services Mr. Cuninggim preached his farewell sermon. The church was literally packed with people, including not only the congregation, but a large number of other persons. His text was II Corinthians xiii: 11: "Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace, and the God of love and peace shall be with you."

After the sermon Mr. Cuninggim recounted the features of the four years' work. Mr. Cuninggim closed by speaking in deep appreciation of the good will and kind expressions of his congregation and hundreds of Wilmington's good people outside of his church. He declared that he was glad to have lived in their midst, and concluded by assuring them that he had the most sincere friendship and the very truest Christian love for every man, woman and child in the city of Wilmington; that in laboring in their midst he had planted a part of his very life here and that he would ever bear the highest regard for them and ever pray for the very richest blessings upon them.

At both the services the Rev. F. A. Bishop, the new presiding elder of the Fayetteville district, prayed, and his prayers were very deep and helpful. He is gifted in prayer, and his prayers made the services all the more impressive. He is here on his way to Fayetteville.

Mr. Cuninggim expects to leave in a few days for his new charge, Hay Street Church, at Fayetteville.

When you ask for De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of Piles being cured by this, than all others combined. King Bros.

Gov. Russell at Washington

Washington Post.

Gov. Russell, of North Carolina, was at the Capitol yesterday in conference with Senators Pritchard and Butler. There were rumors that he was interested in securing a reorganization of the Republican party in his State, through a more permanent alliance with the Populists, whose leaders are even now almost within the Republican party. Gov. Russell denied these rumors, and so did Senator Butler, both asserting that the Governor's visit related solely to the discharge of some of the soldiers of the First North Carolina Regiment, now stationed in Cuba.

Senator Pritchard, who yesterday made his first appearance at this session, talked with a Post reporter in the marble room yesterday regarding the statement that he proposes to ask an investigation of the race troubles in his State. "I shall do nothing of the kind," he said. "This is a matter which comes within the jurisdiction of the House, and will be taken up when the contested election cases are brought before the House."

"It is said that you will introduce a force bill?"

"That is also untrue," was the reply. "Technically speaking, a force bill would not be effective, even if enacted, because it would not be enforced. I do not propose to introduce any legislation at present, but I will await the assembling of the Democratic Legislature in my State. If there is any attempt to disfranchise a large number of either white or colored voters I shall do whatever is necessary to protect them."

"Will the Legislature impeach Gov. Russell?"

"There is no possibility or even probability of any such action."

"Will the Republican party continue its fight in North Carolina?"

"Most assuredly. We polled 159,000 votes in the last election, with only 17,000 majority against us, even with all the prejudice that was excited. There are thousands of men in the State who will vote for President McKinley's re-election in 1900, even though they voted the Democratic local ticket last month."

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Next Cumberland Courts.

The next courts held in this city will be held by Democrats, the Criminal Court, Judge Battle, the first Monday in February; and the Superior Court third Monday in March.

Judge Battle's First Court.

The Raleigh Post contains the following dispatch from Scotland Neck:

The first court ever held by Judge Dossey Battle, the newly elected successor of Tom Sutton as Judge of the Criminal Court for the Eastern District, is in session here.

Dossey (excuse the force of habit, Judge) presides like a veteran, and one would never think from the way he dispatches business that he was a new hand at it. He is giving the greatest satisfaction and makes a good impression.

Gen. Gill and Party Hunting.

General John Gill, receiver of the C. F. & Y. V., General Manager J. W. Fry, of Greensboro, Mr. Frick, of Baltimore, and others are hunting around Walnut Cove. The General will come to Fayetteville, we understand, before returning to Baltimore.

Friday's Foot Ball Game.

The kick off in Friday's foot ball game between the F. M. A. and Fayetteville teams will be at 3.30 p. m. sharp.

An admission of 10 cents will be charged for the benefit of the monument fund.

Improvements on the Hill.

The improvements on Mr. Stebbins Prior's residence are completed and the house now presents a handsome appearance.

Dr. Lilly's residence is completed and presents a fine appearance, overlooking, as it does, the town from its commanding site. It is an ornament to the hill and a gem of workmanship. Dr. Lilly is having three hundred feet of 18 inch terra cotta pipe laid down the hill in front of his house for drainage purpose, over which he will reconstruct the side walk. This will be of great benefit to the hill.

Our New Methodist Pastor.

The Henderson Gold Leaf of last week has the following to say about the new pastor of Hay Street Methodist Church:

Rev. W. L. Cuninggim, who has been pastor of the Fifth Street Methodist Church in Wilmington the past four years (since leaving Henderson) goes to Hay Street Church, Fayetteville, as we see from the Conference appointments. The good people of Fayetteville are to be congratulated. Any community is greatly blessed in having Rev. W. L. Cuninggim and his excellent wife and sister as a part of its citizenship.

A Graceful Compliment.

The Greensboro Record of Saturday cotains the following:

Mr. W. E. Kyle, the clever General Passenger Agent of the C. F. & Y. V. Railway, was seen at the Benbow last night on his return from a trip to Mt. Airy. Asked who in his opinion would purchase the road at the sale on the 29th, he said he had no idea—that all the officials of his company were as much in the dark as the general public. Mr. Kyle was assured that the people of Greensboro would be sorry to see the road pass into the hands of any company that would cause the displacement of any of the present efficient corps of officers, a fact which he of course appreciated, though he is a modest and unassuming gentleman, striving always to please the public.

Gen. Garcia Dead.

Gen. Calixto Garcia, the distinguished Cuban commander, and head of the commission appointed by the Cuban assembly to visit the United States, died in Washington City Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. He recently contracted pneumonia, owing to the sudden change from the warm climate of Cuba to the blizzard weather in New York, which his constitution, exhausted by hard campaigning in Cuba for years, could not withstand. His last words were orders to his son, who is on his staff, for a battle which in his delirium, he supposed was about to occur with the Spaniards. A body guard of United States soldiers were immediately placed over the remains

Gen. Garcia leaves a large family, all of whom, except his two oldest sons be sent to this country soon after the rebellion broke out. He was a man of culture and refinement and of splendid education.

Besides being leader in the last rebellion, Gen. Garcia was the leader of the twelve years' war against Spain, which began in 1868. He was captured by the Spanish in 1875 and attempted suicide by firing a bullet through his head. He recovered, however, and was sent to Spain where he spent four years in prison. In 1880 he was released and came to the United States and again landed in Cuba and headed a revolution but was soon forced to capitulate and was a second time sent to Spain where he remained until 1895, when the present revolution broke out, and then he escaped to France and managed to reach Cuba.

A Skin Disease

In a Terrible Condition with Scrofula Sores

Took Hood's Sarsaparilla and is Better than for 10 Years.

"I had a skin disease which was very troublesome. I took a great deal of strong medicine which did not do me any good and I was at last obliged to give up. I was in a sort of stupor some of the time. Scrofula sores broke out and I could get nothing to do me any good. My daughter told me of a woman who was afflicted as I was and who found relief in Hood's Sarsaparilla. I concluded to try this medicine. At that time I was in a terrible condition with sores on my head and body. The first few doses of Hood's Sarsaparilla seemed to give me relief, and in a short time the sores began to heal. My appetite improved and I felt like a new man. I am now in better health than for 10 years." S. M. GRIER, Winnsboro, Fairfield Co., Little River, South Carolina. Remember

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Conference Committees.

On the committees, appointed by the North Carolina Conference for the ensuing four years, we notice that our townmen, Dr. J. S. Betts, is on that of Books and Periodicals, Mr. J. M. Lamb, on that of Epworth League, and Mr. Q. K. Nimocks on that of Board of Finance.

A Santa Clause Excursion.

The people along the line of the C. F. & Y. V., as far as Bennettsville, will be given an opportunity to visit Fayetteville on the 20th, to buy their Christmas goods. An excurison will be run from Bennettsville on that day, the fare from that point for the round trip being only one dollar.

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Cured me of indigestion. I had suffered for ten years I had tried almost every medicine, but all failed. Since taking Lemon Elixir I can eat anything I like.
W. A GRIFFETH,
Reevesville, S. C

Mozley's Lemon Elixir

Cured me of indigestion and heart disease, after years of suffering when all other remedies and doctors had failed.
N. D. COLEMAN,
Beulah, S C.

Mozley's Lemon Elixir.

I have been a great sufferer from dyspepsia for about fifteen years, my trouble being my liver, stomach and bowels, with terrible headaches. Lemon Elixir cured me. My appetite is good, and I am well. I had taken a barrell of other medicine, that done me no good. CHAS. GIBHARD,
No. 1515 Jefferson St, Louisville, Ky.

Mozley's Lemon Elixir

Cured me of enlarged liver, nervous indigestion and heart disease. I was unable to walk up stairs or to do any kind of work I was treated by many physicians, but got no better till I used Lemon Elixir. I am now healthy and vigorous.
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Dr. Nash Bids Farewell to His Congregation.

Dr. Nash preached at Hay Street Methodist Church Sunday morning from John 16:33, the theme of the discourse being, "Our Lord's Concern for His disciples," and at night on "The way to and the nature of heavenly felicity," the text selected being 16th Psalms, 11th verse. Both were in the nature of farewell sermons, and were listened to with close attention by good congregations. The sermon at night was marked by a depth and beauty of thought, and a happy delivery that added no little to the pleasing effect of the sermon upon those who heard it. Besides the usual congregation, not a few of the Doctor's personal friends were present to hear him at both morning and evening services.

"God be with you till we meet again" was sung at the close of the evening service, and, after the benediction was pronounced, a number of those present went up to the chancel to bid the former pastor farewell, and to wish him God speed in his new field of labor. The Doctor leaves for his new appointment, Washington, N. C., Wednesday night, and will go via the A. C. L. There will be services at Hay Street Church Sunday. The new pastor, Rev. W. L Cunninggim, is expected to arrive sometime next week with his family, and is expected to fill his pulpit next Sunday week, Christmas day.

The Qualifying of Magistrates.

The law as to the date of the qualifying of Magistrates recently elected, seems not to be very clear and is interpreted two ways. It seems to have been accepted by the press of the state and the party leaders that the magistrates elected on November 8th had to qualify by the first Monday in December. County attorney Shaw, Clerk of the Superior Court McKethan and ex-clerk Murphy, however, agree that the magistrates can qualify within ninety days after election and accordingly allowed Mr. McNeill, of Little River, to qualify this morning.

The many Fayetteville friends of Mr. Geo. L. Morton, the popular commander of the North Carolina Naval Reserves, will be pleased to learn of the great honor recently conferred upon him. He has just returned from Philadelphia, where he went to attend the annual session of the National Convention of Naval Reserves which was held in that city Friday and Saturday of last week. Commander Morton was elected to the presidency of the convention for the ensuing year. A great compliment, well bestowed.

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As to Impeachment.

Says a correspondent of the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot:

There is a demand in some quarters that Governor Russell be impeached when the Legislature assembles. Those who favor impeachment must not have considered who would succeed Russell in case of removal. It is believed that Russell with all his faults is a far superior man to Reynolds, who would succeed. We heard the present Lieutenant Governor make one of the dirtiest speeches during the campaign of 1896 that we ever heard any one make, and remarked at the time that we hoped North Carolina would never have such a man in the Gubernatorial chair. Before deciding upon impeachment proceedings the Legislature will no doubt consider well the manner of man who would be elevated to the highest office in the gift of the people.

THE RIGHT COURSE.

Says the Greensboro Telegram:

Much has been and is still being said about impeaching Governor Russell, and much of it is silly twaddle. Some people say don't impeach him because the lieutenant-governor is a worse man than the governor and it is better to let Russell serve out his term than to let Reynolds step into the governor's chair. Others say the governor has done nothing to warrant impeachment.

There are only two sides to this question: the governor is either liable to impeachment proceedings or he is not. If he is guilty of any acts that would sustain such proceedings he should be impeached no matter how much worse Charlie Reynolds, as he is familiarly called, might be. If he is not liable nobody need fear the attempt will be made. But we insist that it should not be put upon the ground that Reynolds is the worst man of the two. The proper and the decent thing to do would be to impeach Russell if it is RIGHT to do so and let Mr. Reynolds take the chair. Then, if he is a worse man than the Kusser, let him be impeached also.

Do you catch the point. If it is not RIGHT to impeach the governor it cannot be done. If it can be done it is RIGHT to do it. Then make short work of Reynolds if he is the worst man of the two.

Garcia's Funeral.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, December 13.—The funeral of Gen. Garcia took place at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church this morning at ten o'clock. The body was borne from his hotel on a caisson draped in the American and Cuban flags, and escorted by batteries K and E of the Fifth and Sixth United States Artillery, Carriages followed containing members of the Cuban Commission, members of the Cuban delegation from New York and other prominent Cubans and others, the whole preceded by the fourth artillery band. Young Capt. Garcia, the General's son, was the only mourner, supported by two Cuban friends. The honorary pall bearers were: Secretary of State Hay, Generals Miles, Shafter, Wheeler, Lawton and Ludlow, and Senators Proctor, Thurston, Money and Mason, and Hon. John K. Proctor. The Cuban Relief Committee attended in a body.

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Death at Hope Mills.

Mr. Wm. Fort died at Hope Mills Friday night, leaving a wife and a number of children. For years he has been the excellent watchman at Hope Mills No. 2. He was prominent in local church affairs.

Changes in Positions.

Mr. Amos T. Sessoms, who has been with the C. F. & Y. V. at Maxton, has accepted a position under Mr. Lake in the freight office here.

Mr. Royal D. Jones has resigned his position in the C. F. & Y. V. freight office to accept

THE OBSERVER.

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We desire a live agent and correspondent at every postoffice in Cumberland and adjoining counties.

Correspondence on all subjects of local and general interest and opinions upon matters public of concern, are invited

The editor will not be responsible for the views or statements of correspondents—and reserves the right at all times to revise or correct any article he may think requires it.

Correspondence for the Weekly Observer should reach the office not later than Monday.

One side, only, of the paper must be written on—and the real name of the writer accompany the contribution. No attention will be paid to anonymous letters.

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Fayetteville Drug Store---The Pocket Edition of Robert Burns.

Death of Miss Annie Walker.

Miss Annie Walker, a s sisterof Mr. Brown Walker, died at the residence of the latter on Little River Monday night at 12 o'clock.

Miss Walker was about 70 years old and has been an active member of the Presbyterian church.

The Charter Amendment Question.

In reply to a numer of inquiries as to the nature of the proposed changes in the charter of the city of Fayetteville to be asked of the Legislature, we will state that Mayor Cook informed us this morning that nothing definite has been decided upon yet, that the matter is in the hands of the committee recently appointed by the Board of Aldermen to formulate such needed amendments as seem to them necessary and report to the next meeting of the Board. The committee, which consists of W. S. Cook, Chas. Haigh, H. McD. Robinson J. B. Underwood, Jr., and J. G. Hollingsworth, will hold a meeting for this purpose next week. We are informed that they wish to hear suggestions from citizens generally.

The First's Reception in Cuba.

A dispatch from Havana, dated Monday, says:

The First North Carolina regiment, which arrived here yesterday morning on the United States transport Roumania, disembarked this morning and marched through the city, with band and colors, to camp at Marianao. By the time the regiment had reached the suburb of Cerro many hundreds of men, women and children were following, all showing deep emotion, the men embracing one another, the women weeping from excessive pleasure and the children shouting endearing names as the North Carolina boys marched along.

The troops were amazed at the intensity of feeling displayed. Several hundred Cubans followed the regiment all the way to Marianao, a distance of seven miles. The troops, in heavy marching order, made a fine appearance, reaching the camp about 11:00 o'clock this morning, where they were soon comfortably installed.

Special Meeting of Board of Commissioners.

The Board of County Commissioners met at 10 o'clock Monday, A. B. Williams, D. G. Blue and W. H. Downing, in special session.

After numerous tax complaints were adjusted the following was transseted:

Ordered, that more specific instructions be given the auditing committee appointed to audit the books of the various county officers, and the following notice was issued, viz: At a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for Cumberland County held December 5th, 1898, E. H. Evans, H. R. Horne and W. N. Tillinghast, were appointed an auditing committee to audit the books of the Treasurer, Sheriff and Clerk of the Court for a period of two years and make report at as early date as possible.

The bonds of Wm. Alderman, County Surveyor, and J. B. Troy, County Treasurer, were tendered and accepted.

Commissioner D. G. Blue was appointed a committee to examine Blue's bridge, with power to act in case it becomes necessary. The clerk was ordered to notify J. E. Buchanan, chairman of Moore County Commissioners, that a committee had been appointed to meet their committee with full power to act, and ask him to name day to meet D. G. Blue.

The bond of R. J. Baker, constable for Black River Township, was tendered and accepted.

Ordered, that the tax list for Cross Creek fence taxes be corrected so as to levy the tax upon the mileage of the C. F. & Y. V. and W. & W. railroad companies at the rate fixed by the board of railroad commissioners, inside of Cross Creek township and outside of the corporate limits of Fayetteville, and that the Sheriff collect the taxes only on the mileage.

Not Necessary to Sow Dragon's Teeth.

MR. EDITOR:—I cannot help thinking when our young men volunteered to go into the war of an old French adage by Victor Hugo: "La Terre produit tojours du nouveau pour se battre." "The soil ever produces new ones to fight."

W. S. KINGSBURY.

LADIES—It will pay you to write to the Winoosket Co., whose advertisement appears on the 3rd page. They employ hundreds of ladies at their own homes, all over the country, and are daily adding to their force.

Read their advertisement.

A FULL LINE OF CLINICAL THERMOMETERS HYPODEMIC SYRINGES, NEEDLES EVERY THERMOMETER GUARANTEED. FAYETTEVILLE DRUG STORE.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers,
The famous little pills.

To Attend the Anderson-London Nuptials

Mrs. Jno. H. Currie, aunt of the bride, Miss Kate Broadfoot, one of the brides maids, Capt. J. C. Huske, best man and Messrs. J. A. Huske and J. B Tillinghast, groomsmen, left Monday for Pittsboro to be present at the marriage Wednesday of Mr. Jno. Huske Anderson to Miss Lucy Worth London.

Auditing the County Finances.

The committee appointed by the County Commissioners to audit the accounts of the outgoing sheriff and treasurer began work Moday. The committee is: W. N. Tillinghast, H. R. Horne and Hervey Evans. As the sheriff has until September to settle his 1898 books, it appears that the committee can only partially examine his accounts—that is they can examine the '97 books and the '98 books up to the present time.

Representative Robinson's Views.

AN OBSERVER reporter called on H. McD. Robinson, Esq, one of Cumberland's representatives-elect yesterday and asked him for an expression of his views on several of the principal questions to come before the Legislature. Mr. Robinson's views, delivered frankly and without any hesitation, were given as follows:

"I am in favor of constitutional amendments rather than a convention, and I also favor a fair election law.

"I favor a change in the public school law. Separate school committees for whites and blacks, with a white Board of Education and a white Superintendent.

"The question of dispensary or license should be left to a vote of the people as was understood should be done during the late campaign, dependent, however, upon the petitions which may be presented.

"I favor separate cars for whites and blacks.

"The election of railroad commissioners should be by the people.

"I will do all in my power to promote good roads, especially in Cumberland, where the roads should be worked by convicts.

"I am inclined to favor taking Cumberland county out of the eastern criminal circuit, that court not having final jurisdiction, therefore entailing unnecessary expense and the probable retrial of cases.

"I favor strict compliance with Democratic platform and restoring to the people of the east a good form of government under white control.

Mr. Robinson's choice for Speaker is ex Judge H. G. Connor, as the east is entitled to the Speakership this time and as Judge Connor is particularly adapted by character and ability to the position.

He also favors public economy and conservatism in all legislative matters.

"The Mistletoe Bough"—A Charming Amateur Performance.

A fine audience witnessed "The Mistletoe Bough" at the Opera House Tuesday night, a lovely spectacular pantomime, most gracefully carried out, by a number of Fayetteville's talented youth.

Mrs. Morgan's singing of the verses of the "Mistletoe Bough" was highly appreciated; her sweet voice being well attuned to the occasion. Mrs. Hughes presided at the piano assisted by Miss Maggie Belle McDonald, who played with rare skill for one so young. The costumes were in "Colonial style," and were both lovely and artistic. The Wedding March and Minuet were strikingly beautiful. The attic scene and maypole dance were conceived and executed admirably; the domestic incident was excellent, while the "Old Man's Vision" was a scene most impressive.

The value of the benefit was about fifty dollars.

Bride—Miss Lillie Slocomb.
Groom—Mr. Hector McGeachy.
Baroness—Mrs. J. A. King.
Baron—Mr. E D. Page.
Grandmother—Miss Eliza Williams.
May Queen—Marion Slocomb.
Page—Edmund Pemberton.
Housekeeper—Miss Annie Wetmore,
Maid—Miss Mamie Alexander.

MINUET.

Miss Bessie McNeill and Mr. Joe Bidgood.
Miss Ellen Underwood and Mr. Claude Haigh
Miss Maggie McNeill and Mr. Albert Worth.
Miss Bessie Underwood and Mr. Herbert Thomson.
Miss May Broadfoot and Dr. McGougan.
Miss Fan Kyle and Mr. Sandy McGeachy.

MAYPOLE DANCE.

Lina Haigh and Jacqueline Croswell.
Fannie Sedberry and Hamilton Underwood.
Bessie Robinson and Marion Huske.
Lottie Wemyss and Sam Ayer.
Mamie Highsmith and Henry Smith.
Marion Slocomb and Edmund Pemberton.

Lumber Bridge Locals.

Capt. Edgar Hall drilled his company last Saturday. L. M. Currie and J. B. Malloy are the two new lieutenants. The company now has for its armory the building formerly occupied by the Young Men's Christian Association.

We are glad to note that Mr. D. W. McGougan who has been unwell for some time is improving.

Sheriff Hall will occupy his residence on front street early in January.

The school here continues to grow. Six counties are represented.

We hear of seven marriages for the holidays. We hope to tell you of them later.

We noticed in the minutes of Fayetteville Presbytery that the chairman of systematic beneficence places on the roll for honorable mention all of Pastor Law's churches as having contributed to all the objects required by the church. This indicates thorough work and a careful oversight.

Soothing, healing, cleansing, De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve is the implacable enemy of sores, burns and wounds. It never fails to cure Piles. You may rely upon it. King Bros.

Ask any druggist for a free Pe-ru-na Almanac for the year 1899.

Beaver Dam Slander Case.

H. L. Cook, Esq., went to Beaver Dam township yesterday to appear for one of the fair daughters of that neighborhood in a suit instituted by her father for slander.

Anderson and Blue Pass Southport.

A telegram yesterday states that the captured Spanish gun boats, Sandoval and Alvarado, with Lieutenants Anderson and Blue, passed Southport, on their way to Wilmington at 12:40 o'clock. By the time this paper goes to press these two young heroes are receiving the splendid welcome Wilmington prepared for them.

Swindled.

There was a farmer in town yesterday with a wagon load of turkeys, a number of which he had bought of a neighbor. When the first lot which he sold were weighed the old man's countenance was a study in amazement and grief. He had taken his neighbor's weights, which were attached to each turkey's leg by a slip of paper as correct, whereas, the real weight showed a falling off in each turkey of two pounds.

The Cedar Creek School Case.

Cedar Creek has been stirred up lately over its public school. The school committee had selected a teacher for Cedar Creek District School No. 12 for the present term. The majority of the patrons disregarding their action, selected Mr. Jas. M. Marsh and installed him in the school. The committee then took out a writ of ejectment and the case came up for trial before 'Squire Overby. Before its final disposition, however, the case was compromised and Mr. Marsh left in charge.

Christmas Displays.

Probably never before has Fayetteville witnessed such abundant and varied displays of Christmas goods. Nearly every shop has some specialty or specialties for the holiday trade and many of them have elaborate counter and window displays of toys and games and jewelry and books. Already our principal streets are being thronged with Christmas shoppers, not only by Cumberland folks, but many of Robeson's Bladen's Harnett's and Moore's most substantial citizens.

News of Interest.

President McKinley and party are now in Atlanta Ga, attending the Peace Jubilee. Hon. W. J. Bryan, will arrive there this afternoon.

It is reported that the Durham Bull Tobacco Co. has joined the new Union Tobacco Trust. It is said that Col. J S. Carr, will be vice president of the trust.

The Democratic State Central and Executive Committee has been called to meet in Raleigh December 27th.

Important matters of great interest will be considered at the meeting.

It will be the first gathering of the committee since the election.

Charles W. Miller, of Chicago, last year's six day champion, won the great race at Madison Square Garden again this year, beating the world's record (his own,) by 24 miles and leading the next to him, Grand Waller, of Boston, by 22 miles.

The two highest scores made were Miller 1,976, Waller 1,948.

Miller gets from the management the sum of $1,500, and for breaking the world's record he gets the sum of $200, and for his public marriage Saturday afternoon he is said to have got $500.

Waller gets $1,000 for riding second.

A dispatch from Omaha, Neb, says:

The World-Herald to-day sent by telegraph one thousand dollars to the First Nebraska regiment, located at Manila, and one thousand dollars to the Third Nebraska regiment, commanded by Col. Wm. J. Bryan, now at Savannah, Ga., preparing to start for Cuba. This money is contributed by over three thousand contributors to provide a Xmas dinner.

To be entirely relieved of the aches and pains of rheumatism means a great deal, and Hood's Sarsaparilla does it.

Bailey's Views.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, Dec. 12th.—Democratic leader Bailey says that congress is not sufficiently posted to legislate intelligently with reference to the Phillippines. He is willing to see the matter go over until the next session. He is opposed to annexation, and favors a wise and just legislation.

Democrats for Bryan.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, Dec. 12th.—The Democratic senators here, twenty-three, favor leader Bryan and the old issues, until new ones are developed. Ninety-nine Representative here favor Bryan and the currency question. Nine are non-committal.

A Bill for Raising the Maine.

By telegraph to the Observer,

Washington, Dec. 12th.—A bill for raising the battleship Maine, and for her preservation as a memento of the war, was introduced by Senator Pettigrew this afternoon.

A New York Tragedy—Norfolk's Most Prominet Citizen Found Murdered in an Areaway.

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, December 13.—Henry Walke, a director in the Norfolk National Bank, the head of a large Hardware Supply House, doing a tremendous business with the United States Government in Navy Yard supplies, President of the Virginia Club of Norfolk, and prominent socially, was found dead in a lonely areaway of the Adelphi Academy near Clifton Place and St. James Place, Brooklyn, this morning with a bullet in his heart and another in his temple and a pistol in his hand. He was a guest at the Waldorf-Astoria, where he is well known. The body was discovered by passers-by. No cause can be assigned for suicide and foul play is suspected.

Maryland Club Smoking Tobacco at the Fayettev'e Drug Store.

Mr. McKinley Arrives in Atlanta.

No Demonstrations Enroute.

Fifty Thousand Troops Needed to Garrison Cuba.

The Peace Commissioners Call on President Faure—The Texas Sails for Havana—The Gas Tank Explosion.

The Texas for Havana.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Norfolk, Dec. 14th.—The battleship Texas, commanded by Capt. Sigsbee, passed out this morning bound for Havana, fully coaled and provisioned. She carries much ammunition.

The Peace Commissioners.

By cable to the Observer

Paris, Dec. 14.—The American Peace Commissioners presented by American Ambassador Porter, and the Spanish Peace Commissioners, presented by Ambassador of Spain Castillo, formally called on President Faure and Minister of Foreign Affairs Del Casse today and thank them for the kindness extended while here.

Need Fifty Thousand Soldiers in Cuba

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, Dec. 14 h.—Adjutant General Corbin said at the hearing be fore the House Military Affairs Committee today that the Cuban evacuation Commission, Generals Wade, and Butler and Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson, in their recommendations had stated that an army of fifty thousand men was requisite to maintain order in Cuba.

The Gas Tank Explosion.

By telegraph to the Observer.)

New York Dec 14th.—Two hundred laborers are working among the ruins of the gas tank explosion. At noon to day it is known that John Cray, Andrew Wendth, Pius Baum, and Peter Croonley perished. The missing are: James Lucker, Geo. Denner, Gustav Wenckee. The score of injured are all doing well to-day. Mrs. Lutz, living near the scene of explosion went into her celler this morning to ascertain the damage done by the flood of water from the under tank saw the body of a man floating about. The accident was due to be inability of the large gas holder to stand the necessary test to which it was put before injecting gas. The water was about twenty five feet above the street level, and when the tank exploded it rushed out like a bursting dam carrying every thing before it.

McKinley's Tour to Atlanta.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Atlanta, Dec. 14.—The train bearing Presidential party arrived to attend the Jubilee at 8 o'clock this morning. The President and Mrs. McKinley breakfasted in the dining car. At Gainsville about two hundred persons assembled. From there to Atlanta there was an occasional cheer, but nothing in the nature of a demonstration.

Atlanta, Dec. 14th.—Every available space was crowded about the depot to greet the President. The President took a carriage to the Kimball House a half block away. The rest of the party walked the short distance. Gen. Wheeler and his daughter held an informal reception in the hotel parlor. The programme arranged for today allowed the travellers to rest in advance of the fatigues of being entertained after breakfast until noon.

The programme provides a public reception at the Capitol at 2 o'clock, a review of floral parade at 3, return to the Kimball House and dinner at 6, and reception at Capitol City Club at 9. The President has not decided if he will make any remarks except of an informal nature.

Terrible Mine Explosion—Scores Killed.

By telegraph to the Observer.)

Poteau, I. T., Dec. 13.—There was a terrible explosion in mine No. 2 at Indianola, owned by the Rathway Coal Company, last night, many men were killed and many buried in the shaft. Over one hundred men were in the mine at the time and only one half are accounted for. There are little hopes of rescuing the entombed miners as the explosion rent the subways asunder.

Choate for Ambassador to England.

By teleg aph to the Observer.

Washington, December 13.—Seth Low and Senator Platt called on President McKinley this morning. Mr. Low would not state the object of his visit, but it is understood that he endorsed Choate for Ambassador to Great Britain.

Many a household is saddened by death because of the failure to keep on hand a safe and absolutely certain cure for croup such as One Minute Cough Cure. See that your little ones are protected against emergency King Bros.

Cinco Cigar for sale at the Fayettev'e Drug Store.

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Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

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Orders from dealers filled promptly at lowest prices.

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Owner of City Magazine,
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Good middling cotton is bringing 5½ cents on this market today.

NO CURE—NO PAY.

That is the way all druggists sell Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic for Chills and Malaria. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating Tonics Price 50c

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FAYETTEVILLE MARKETS

REVISED DAILY.

COTTON

Middling	5½
Good Middling	5¾
Market—firm.	

NAVAL STORES

Spirits	35½
Common Rosin	70
Virgin	1 70
Yellow Dip	1 70
Hard	1 20

PRODUCE

REPORTED BY A. S. HUSKE, GROCER.

Flour—1st pat., sack,	$2 50@$2.75
Family Flour—2nd pat., sack	$2.00 @ 2.25
Hides—dry—per lb.	8@10
" —green—per lb.	6
Wool—washed	15@20
Bacon—hog round per lb—	10
" —ham	11a12
" —sides	8@9
" —shoulders	8@9
Oats—32 lbs per bushel	38a40
Peas—clay	45a50
" —mixed	40@45
" —white,	55a65
Meal—bolted—46 lbs per bushel	50@55
" —unbolted—48 lbs per bushel	50@55
Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel 45;	new 42
Onions—select—per bushel	70@90
Lard—N. C.	8@8½
Tallow	2½@4
Ducks	18@20
Hens—per head	20@25
Roosters—per head	20a25
Turkeys—per lb	7½ a 8
Guineas	16@17½
Geese	25 a 30
Butter—choice yellow	20 a 25
Honey—strained—per lb	9 a 10
Eggs,	15a16
Feathers—new	35 a 40
Potatoes—Irish	90@120
Potatoes—Sweet	25 a 40
Pork	4½@5

From Factory to Your Home.

The only great Piano sold this way in the Carolinas. Stieff Pianos "sing their own praise." Baltimore Factory Warerooms, 213 North Tryon street, Charlotte, N. C. C. H. Wilmoth, Mg'r.

To the Public.

The Cape Fear Dry Goods Co. has introduced in this market the best Misses' and Children's Ribbed Hose ever sold at the popular price of ten cents. Controlling these goods absolutely, it has never been exorbitant in price, as the large sizes cost from $1 to $1.15 a dozen. Selling large quantities, though, enables close margins. The following letter will show the meanness of a dishonest competitor.

W. F. LEAK.

"OFFICE OF MANNING HOSIERY MILL,

"Manning, S. C, Dec. 12, 1898

"To the Cape Fear Dry Goods Co., Fayetteville, N C:

"In reply to yours of 10th.

"Dear Sir:—If I have gone back on my promise to you in reference to selling the goods to any one else in your city, I did not intend to do so. I have shipped them a case of goods, *but they wrote that they did not want to retail them but wanted them to job* When they sent the order I wrote them that I could not ship them, and they wrote that they did not want them to retail. I appreciate your business and if it interferes with you I won't ship them any more. Hope this will be satisfactory to you. Yours truly,

W. SCOTT HARVIN."

The Hay Street Grocer

will sell good Plug Tobacco at 25 cents until further notice.

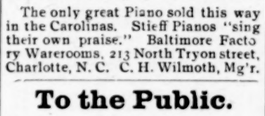
The Champion Flour is THE BEST.

You will consult your own interest by an examination of the goods I am offering.

Fresh Lot N. C. Corned Mullets.

Come and make my store your stopping place. Polite attention to all.

A. S. HUSKE.



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ONEIDA.....Saturday, December 17

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New Goods Just Received
—AT THE—
BIG STORE.

1 case California Kohton Suitings, 10 cents a yard.
1 case Norwich Cotton Flannels, 5 cents a yard.
5 pieces Daisy cloth for Gents' Night Shirts, 10 cents a yard.
1 case Kineo Flannels, 8 cents a yard.
1 case Camlet, Wool-Finish, 29 inches wide, Suitings at 8 cents yard.
8 cases J. S. Nelson & Son Co.'s Gents' Fine Shoes, Wall Street Toe, $3.00 and $3 50 a pair.
1 case all-wool Mt. Airy 7 lbs. Blankets. Ask to see them.
1 case of all-wool, half-wool and cotton Rubin's Infants' Vests. Full assortment; no buttons; no trouble; ask to see them.
Full line Ladies' French Kid Gloves at $1.00 and $1.50 per pair, all sizes
New and complete line of Xmas Handkerchief
Xmas Neckwear of every description for Ladies and Gents.
5 cases Ziegler's Fine Shoes for Infants, Children and Ladies
1 large bale Smyrna Rugs for Xmas Gifts
1 large bale all wool Art Rug for Xmas Gifts.
Every day's freight brings us new goods.
Beautiful Furs and Collarettes for Xmas Gifts.

The Frank Thornton Dry Goods Co.

HOT DRINKS.

Huyler's very best Chocolate, with cream,	5c
Beef Bouillon tomato and plain, with an aroma that cannot be produced with common extracts,	5c
Hot Coffee, the very best, not made with the ordinary extracts,	5c

Wafers with all of them.

Horne's Pharmacy.

You had better come and pick out your TOYS

They are going fast. We have the cheapest and best assortment in town.
Large Express Wagons 75 cents,
Wheel Barrows, large, 25 cents,
Carts 15 cents,
Guns, 10 cents, 20, 25 and up,
Drums 25, 40 and 50 cents,
Horns 5, 10, 15 and up,
Pianos 25, 50 and 75 cents,
Dolls 1 cent and up.
Beautiful Doll, dressed like an infant, with long dress, cap and natural hair, closing eyes, for only 25 cents
Trains, Stoves, Furniture, Tin Toys, Tea Sets, &c, &c.

OUR BOOKS

are extremely cheap.

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Hollingsworth & Co

Don't forget that we have the nicest Handkerchiefs in city, 2 cents to 50 cents each. Also Gloves for ladies, men and childen.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

BANK OF FAYETTEVILLE,

At Fayetteville, N. C., in the County of Cumberland, at the close of business on the 1st day of December, 1898.

RESOURCES:

Loans on Real Estate,	$ 57,200 00
All other loans and discounts,	176,885 46
Overdrafts,	550 66
U. S. Bonds on hand (par value),	10,000 00
All other Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages,	15,344 66
Premium on Bonds,	1,587 50
Due from Banks,	76,828 11
Banking House,	6,000 00
Furniture and fixtures,	3,050 00
All other real estate owned,	13,793 47
Cash items,	944 03
Gold Coin,	9,725 00
Silver Coin,	14,549 01
Bank Notes,	20,260 00
Total,	$406,717 27

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock paid in,	$ 200,000 00
Undivided profits—less expenses,	8,701 60
Deposits subject to check,	192,522 10
Due to Banks,	2,197 49
Cashier's Checks outstanding,	3,293 68
Total	$406,717 27

I, J. C. Haigh, Cashier of the Bank of Fayetteville, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. C. HAIGH, Cashier.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of December, 1898.

H. J. MARSH, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
H. W. LILLY
J. R WILLIAMS, } Directors.
JNO P. THOMSON

Annual Statement

of the expenses of the Board of County Commissioners of Cumberland County for the year ending December 1, 1898:

S. H. COTTON, eighteen days' service as Commissioner at $2 00 per day,	$36 00
Mileage, 139 miles at 5c. per m.,	6 92
Total,	$42 92
J. A. GAINEY, twenty days' salary as Commissioner at $2.00 per day,	$40 00
Mileage, 192 miles at 5c. per m.,	9 60
Total,	$49 60
J. A. MCFARLAND, twenty days' salary,	$40 00
Mileage, 288 miles at 5c. per m.,	14 40
Total,	$54 41
Grand total,	$146 92

A. L. MCCASKILL,
Cl'k B'd Co. Com.
By CLAUDIA BUTLER,
Deputy Register.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 30th day of November, 1898.

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Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as Administrator upon the estate of Mrs. Mary F. Cook, deceased, this is to give notice to all creditors to present their claims to me on or before December 12th, 1899, or this notice will be plead in bar of recovery. Persons indebted to said estate will please settle.

A. J. COOK,
Adm'r Mrs. M. F. Cook.

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A select line of HARDWARE, Saws, Hammers, etc. DIXIE POCKET KNIVES and Table Cutlery, made by Wostenholm, but sold much cheaper.

Everything you need on the Farm—Plows and Castings, Hoes, Shovels, Traces, etc Saddles and Harness, Collars and Pads. NAVASSA, SEA-FOWL and other good Fertilizers. WAGONS and CARTS on easy payments. A few head of "taken-in" mortgage stock for sale quick at a bargain.

Wholesale and retail buyers alike will find us "in the swim" of commercial activity, due to the standard quality of our goods and the low price at which we offer them. We job Lye, Soaps, Pearline, Starch, Baking, Powers, Snuff, Tobacco and other package goods and give all the latest "deals" and best discounts. Call on or write us for prices.

Q. K. NIMOCKS,
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will be open every night this week and next until 9 o'clock and Saturday night until 11.

Another lot of those splendid Rugs at 89 cents and $1.25 each. If you want the choice patterns get them now.

A choice line of the best Calicoes in 10 yard pieces, only 50 cents a pattern; make splendid christmas presents for your servants.

Ready made Gingham Aprons, good size, at 10 cents each.

Ladies' Heavy Outing Shirts at 25 cents each

A case of new, Heavy-ribbed Seamless Hose for Ladies and Misses at 10 cents per pair. We want you to examine this line of hosiery.

Our line of Holiday Goods is ready for your inspection. We do not claim to have the largest line in town nor to be headquarters for this class of goods, but from our sales in this department yesterday, our opening day, we are confident that we have struck the wants of people pretty well.

Come and see what we have and bring the children with you. We have an extra force of help and will see that you don't have to wait very long before getting waited on.

M. F. CRAWFORD & CO.

A BIG RUN

on overcoats we have had since the recent cold snap, so don't delay if you want to secure one of the stylish, well made and comfortable Melton and Silk lined Winter Overcoats that we are selling from $5.00 to $15.00. These are the best values to be found anywhere, and fit as perfectly as if made to order.

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Fortify the body against disease by Tutt's Liver Pills, an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, jaundice, bilious ness and all kindred troubles.

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Dr. Tutt; Your Liver Pills are the fly-wheel of life. I shall ever be grateful for the accident that brought them to my notice. I feel as if I had a new lease of life.

J. Fairleigh, Platte Cannon, Col.

Tutt's Liver Pills

Ex-Sheriff Geddie has moved his office into the County Commissioners's room in the Court House, just opposite Sheriff Burns's office.

The Coming Foot Ball Game.

Both the F. M. A. and St. John's Athletic Teams, captained by Mr. Joe Bidgood and Mr. James Croswell, respectively, are now down to hard practice for the coming contest on next Friday for mastery on the gridiron. Captain Croswell's team practices daily on the Academy parade grounds, while Captain Bidgood's team practices nightly on Hay Street.

It will be a hot game, the boys say.

News of Local Interest.

The friends in Fayetteville of Mrs. Thos. M. Holt, who has been dangerously ill at Mr. Bruce Wright's home, will be glad to learn that she is convalescent.

It is said that the First North Carolina regiment now on the way to Cuba will land at Havana and will be the the first provost guard in that city. It has been a half a century, says a correspondent of the Wilmington Messenger, since a North Carolina regiment was out of the country.

Red Springs Items.

RED SPRINGS, Dec. 10, 1898.

Rev. J. D. Moore is attending the Baptist State Convention at Greenville, N. C.

Rev. J. W. Wallace holds his last services in the Methodist Church at 11 and 7 o'clock tomorrow. He has done faithful and efficient service for two years in this circuit, which is large and contains five churches. His new home will be Magnolia. He is succeeded by Rev. Erskine Pope, an able minister who has served Robeson circuit, Ashepole, acceptably for four years. He will be warmly greeted here.

Our merchants have nice, cheap goods and ready to serve people who wish Christmas goods.

It is rumored that wedding bells will ring in town before Xmas.

Mr. Tom Culbreth, of Genoa, Fla., and Miss Mary Conoly were married near here Thursday at 8 o'clock a. m., Rev. R. R. Law officiating.

R. B. Lovin has formed a partnership with Mrs. M. A. Lovin and his brother, Henry, in the mercantile business.

Five building permits were granted at a recent meeting of the Town Council. Our town keeps growing. It is considering plans for better lights and may have electric lights or acetylene gas lights.

Townsend Hotel is putting in $1,000 steam heaters.

Rev. C. G. Vardell attended a meeting of the Trustees of Barium Springs Orphanage this week.

The following officers were elected for six months and will be installed the first Tuesday night in January:

C. C.—W. J. McLeod (now V. C.)
V. C.—L. M. Cook.
Prelate—N. McL. Conoly.
M. of W.—G. W. Forloines.
M. at A.—T. M. Cunningham.
K. of R. & S.—D. R. McIver.
M. of E.—S. J. Edens.
M. of F.—J. M. Memory.
I. G.—J. D. Callahan.
O. G.—C. S. O'Neal.

Your paper is a welcome visitor to this office.

The Baptist State Convention.

The Baptist State Convention was in session last week in Greenville. The Convention was organized in 1830 at Greenville. For the first time since then it was in session there.

The Convention opened with the singing of "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." The venerable Dr. R. R. Overby led in fervent prayer. The introductory sermon was preached by the distinguished pastor of the church at Elizabeth City, Rev. W. S. Penick, D.

Following the sermon, Dr. R. H. Marsh, of Oxford, called the convention together for the eighth time, and the work of organization commenced. Messrs. Bailey, Shaw, Ragsdale, Hunter, Wilder, Parker and Pittman were appointed the committee to enroll. One hundred and thirty delegates were found present.

Dr. R. H. Marsh was unanimously re-elected president; Noah Biggs, W. L. Poteat and Rev. L. Johnson, vice presidents; Jno. E. White, corresponding secretary; J. D. Boushall, treasurer; Walter Durham, auditor, succeeding W. N. Jones, who declined re election.

The address of welcome, gracious and eloquent, was offered by Pastor Setzer, and Rev. J. Q. Hardaway gave a response that was a gem of eloquence and feeling. He said: We have come back to our Bethlehem. We are here where those men, guided of God, as were those wise men of old, stood 68 years ago over the cradle of the Baptist Convention. Could Ross, McDaniel and Meredith, and Skinner and Waitt behold from the walls of Heaven the growth of the labor of their hands, they may exclaim, 'What hath God wrought!' And now, with faces to the sunrise, with eyes eager for the future, we lay our hands to the work and cry, 'Even so, come Lord, Jesus.'"

Overcomes evil with good. Overcome your coughs and colds with One Minute Cough Cure. It is so good children cry for it. It cures croup, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and all throat and lung diseases. King Bros.

Does this Strike You?

Muddy complexions, Nauseating breath come from chronic constipation. Karl's Clover Root Tea is an absolute cure and has been sold for fifty years on an absolute guarantee. Price 25 cts. and 50 cts.

W. C. McDuffie's.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

One Minute Cough Cure, cures.
That is what it was made for.

Will Sail for Home on the 17th.

By cable to the Observer.

London, Dec. 9th.—The members of the American Peace Commission have engaged passage on the St. Louis which sails from Southampton on December 17th.

Gray Will Vote Against His Will.

By cable to the Observer

Paris, December 9.—The sickness of Senor Rios and Senator Ojeda will prevent the signing of the peace treaty before Monday.

The Americans were in session this morning. Senator Gray, who is known to oppose expansion, will vote in favor of the treaty in the Senate because his signing treaty binds him to support it.

Wilmington, Delaware, Shaken by an Explosion.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 9th.—There was a terrific explosion this morning near by. The Dupont powder works several miles distant are reported blown up. The city was shaken as if by an earthquake. It is not yet known how much damage was done or whether any body was killed.

LATER.

Five powder mills were destroyed. Robert McIlhanney, John Moore and John Wright and Stewart were killed. Several were badly injured.

McKinley and the War.

New York Evening Post, Rep.

About one-half of the President's message relates to the war with Spain, and this subject is divided into three parts. The first is a justification of the war itself, the second a narrative of the progress and ending of the war, and the third a glance at the relations existing between the United States and the colonies of Spain that have fallen into our hands.

We should be glad if we could overlook the first part of the message altogether. It must have cost the President severe toil to make it appear that he approved of the war in the beginning when everybody knows that he was utterly opposed to a war with Spain until forty or fifty Republican members of Congress "held a stop watch over him," as Congressman Boutelle said, and gave him forty eight hours in which to surrender to them. After he had surrendered to them he held the same stop watch over Spain and although he had led her government to expect that a fair trial would be given to the plan of Cuban autonomy which had been adopted at our instance, he changed his tone suddenly and ordered her to haul down her flag within forty eight hours. This was done in pursuance of a resolution of Congress which, he says, "was approved by the Executive."

Now the point of criticism is that the President tries to make it appear that these contradictory steps were taken, and the nation was plunged into war, with his concurrence, when everybody kows that he was dragged along unwillingly, and that he had not sufficient firmness to resist a polcy which he believed to be, up to that time, unnecessary, and therefore wrong. As he was under constraint to go to war he is under constraint now to justify it, and for this reason many facts are slurred over which "the opposing counsel," if there were any, would use against him most effectively; for instance, his bringing in of the Main explosion, but his failure to notice Spain's offer to submit it to impartial arbitration and to abide by the award. Another instance is his allusion to the sufferings of the reconcentrados and to our demand that Weyler's order of reconcentration be revoked. He does not mention the fact that this demand of ours was immediately complied with, but submerges this fact under a general statement that "negotiations continued for some little time at Madrid, resulting in offers which could not but be regarded as inadequate." Regarded by whom? Not by William McKinley, as we all know, but by the forty Republican members of Congress who held the stop watch over him.

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Thursday Night's German.

The complimentary german at the LaFayette Thursday night, given by several young men, was a most delightful affair. No dance was more thoroughly enjoyed or appreciated. The following were the participants:

Miss Ellen Underwood, with Mr. R. L. Williams; Miss Liza Williams, with Mr. E. W. Overbaugh; Miss Bessie McNeill, with Mr. Albert Worth; Miss Maggie McNeill, with Mr. Geo. Underwood; Miss Hester Calvert, with Mr. J. R. Williams; Miss Bessie Underwood, with Mr. James McNeill; Miss Bert Watson, with Mr. Walter MacRae; Miss Mamie Alexander, with Mr. Willie Haigh; Miss Marceline Broadfoot, with Mr. A. S. Wightman; Miss Stella Thomson, with Mr. Emmet Pemberton; Miss Kate Broadfoot, with Mr. Herbert Thomson; Miss Lillie Slocomb, with Mr. Roy McDuffie; Miss Fannie Kyle, with Mr. Ed. Williamson; Miss Martin, with Mr. James MacRae.

Stags—Messrs. Hal Elliott, Marsden Haigh, A. B. Williams, John McKethan, Sam MacRae, Jno. Thomson, Joe Bidgood, Chas. Haigh.

Chaperones—Mr. and Mrs. Jno. D. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Garrason, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Broadfoot, Mrs. Slocomb.

For Fayetteville's Improvement.

No doubt our readers enjoy the articles which our correspondents are contributing to the OBSERVER on the subject of permanent improvements to our town. As our readers know, the OBSERVER is in hearty sympathy with all efforts of this nature. Discussion will hammer out the best plan. Just here we would suggest that the first thing to do in entering upon any scheme of improvement, is to appoint a City Engineer, so whatever is done may be done systematically.

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News of Interest.

John Anderson, the condemned murderer of the mate of the schooner Olive Pecker, was executed in Norfolk at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the President refusing to grant a stay. At the first attempt the rope broke and the body fell to the ground. As the man was only stunned by the fall, and regained consciousness, it became necessary to hang him again, and this was done with more success. The unfortunate man is said to have displayed marvelous nerve. When the rope broke some one in the crowd of spectators shouted: "Telegraph to the President."

A bank has been established at Carthage, Moore county, with W. W. Mills, President, W. F. Jones, Vice President and Wm. Hayes, Cashier. Its paid up capital is $10,000 and its deposits are already $10,000.

There was a big time in Lillington, Harnett county, Monday, the occasion being the presentation of the Ladi s' Banner to Black River township, where the biggest Democratic gains were made. Hon. E. W. Pou made the presentation speech and Hon. Dan Hugh McLean accepted the banner in behalf of the victorious township.

Major General Wheeler has probably seen his active service in the United States army. A dispatch from Washington says: "He was at the War Department today and had a talk with Secretary Alger and Adjutant General Corbin. It is understood that he will be relieved from further active duty unless there is a recurrence of war, but that he will remain on the active list of the United States volunteer army until that army is mustered out of the service by the declaration of peace.

Secretary of State Thompson yesterday certified to the Governor the result of the recent election, as ascertained by a canvass of the official returns, and the Governor will today issue commissions to the twelve solicitors and judges and nine Congressmen-elect.

The negro editor Manly, who was compelled to leave Wilmington, N. C., on account of the publication in his paper, and who has since resided in Asbury Park, N. J., has decided to publish his paper, the Record, in New York hereafter, instead of in Wilmington.

Good-Bye, Rheumatism.

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If you would forever be rid of the aches and pains, and sometimes the tortures produced by Rheumatism, you must take the right remedy. Those who continue to suffer are relying upon remedies which do not reach their trouble. The doctor's treatment always consists of potash and mercury, which only intensify the disease, causing the joints to stiffen and the bones to ache, besides seriously impairing the digestive organs.

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Books sent free by Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. Nash's New Appointment.

The statement published in the OBSERVER Wednesday with reference to to Dr. Nash's first appointment is erroneous. He received his first appointment at the conference held in Fayetteville in 1872, twenty six years ago, and he was sent to Bath circuit, Beaufort county, and not to Washington Station. He has never before been stationed at Washington. He lived there, however, during a part of the time that he was on Bath circuit, which lay in the same county in which Washington is situated, and of which Washington is the county seat. The Doctor was married to his excellent wife in that county, and in going to Washington he goes among the friends of his early ministry. He is delighted to go to these excellent people and to serve such an excellent charge.

By All Means, A Food Control Board.

Prof. Withers read a paper on food adulteration at the Watauga Club in Raleigh, the other evening, which it is said will be issued as a bulletin by the Experiment Station.

By all means let us have a Food Control Board. The adulteration of food stuffs has gotten to be intolerable.

Said Professor Withers:

"The practice of food adulteration is not modern but existed even among God's chosen people for we find recorded by the great law giver the regulation "you shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, yard, weight or in measure; a just balance, a just ephah, and a just bin shall ye have."

The methods of testing for adulteration while far from perfect at the present day are in advance of those of the sixteenth century in England where the ale testers among other things were instructed to pour a little ale on the bench and sit on it and if their leather breeches stuck to the bench the presences of added sugar was definitely proven. With the chemical balance and the microscope, it is perhaps true now that no harmful adulteration can be added in dangerous quantities which may not be detected. The most advanced and recent national legislation proposed is embodied in the Faulkner-Brosius bill which has the endorsement of 21 national organizations and 87 State and local, commercial, scientific, agricultural and manufacturing organizations together with that of the representatives of 7 of the great departments of our government and of 24 States and the District of Columbia. It is interesting to us to know that this is an outgrowth of a bill introduced in the 48th Congress by the Hon. Wharton J. Green, of North Carolina, which secured for the first time national legislation in the interest of pure food.

The investigation as to the extent of the adulteration of food articles in North Carolina was begun by the Experiment Station during the present year.

Eighty four per cent. of the samples of cider vinegar were found adulterated, or untrue to name, being mostly spirit vinegar.

Eighty-seven per cent. of the samples of baking powders were found to contain alum, which is injurious to the health, some even contained practically no available carbonic acid and could not therefore be of any value in causing bread to rise.

Thirty per cent. of the samples of roasted coffee examined were found adulterated with broken grains, or were faced or glazed in excessive quantities. In fact all the others but one were also glazed but in small amounts.

Forty four per cent. of the samples of tea were found faced in small quantities. This facing, while in small quantities, is of no effect except to make the lower grades appear better, and it is therefore to be condemned.

Sixty samples of sugar were examined but no adulteration was found in in any sample.

Sixteen per cent of the samples of flour were found to contain corn flour and one sample had alum also. No other mineral adulterant was found present but a sample of mineraline was exhibited which is prepared in North Carolina for the purpose of adulterating flour.

Fifty per cent of the canned vegetables were found to contain lead, copper or salicylic acid, which substances in large quantities are harmful.

No spoiled meats were found among the canned meats, but at present only a few samples have been secured.

Including sugar and canned meats which were not found adulterated, the average found in North Carolina was nearly 40 per cent.

These samples with a few exceptions were purchased in the open market in the cities of Raleigh, Wilmington, Charlotte, Statesville, Henderson and Durham and may be taken therefore as representatives of what would be obtained by an ordinary purchaser. In each class of food we found that the lower grades are much more liable to adulteration while the higher grades are practically free from adulteration. The poor man who is least able to do so, is compelled to suffer most.

It is impossible to more than approximate the loss from adulteration but if we suppose that one article in every twenty is adulterated, which is about one eighth of what was actually found in the samples tested, and these to the extent of one fifth of their bulk, then the loss will be exactly one per cent., or one hundredth of the total cost of the food.

The cost of food per capita varies very much but if we take five dollars per month as about the average, then the annual cost for more than a million and a half people of North Carolina would be about one hundred million dollars. One hundredth of the amount or one million dollars will probably represent the annual loss to the State from adulteration.

Boards for the control of the sale of food exist in other States. Why should not North Carolina establish a food control.

A cough is not like a fever. It does not have to run a certain course. Cure it quickly and effectually with One Minute Cough Cure, the best remedy for all ages and for the most severe cases. We recommend it because it's good. King Bros.

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C. F. & Y. V. Bonds

Some C. F. & Y. V. railroad bonds have been figuring in court at Winston.

A dispatch from there Thursday says:

Judge R. T. Bennett, of Wadesboro, made a strong and witty speech in court here yesterday in regard to bonds held by a Wadesboro bank in the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad. Judge McIver signed an order giving the parties interested until 10 o'clock on the morning of December 29 h, on which day the road is to be sold to decide whether they will surrender the bonds or take a chance with the other bond holders in getting what they can after the sale of the road.

Well Said.

Raleigh News and Observer)

Some people are very much afraid that Mr. Bryan will fail to win in 1900 if the Populists carry out their intention of holding their national convention early and nominating him before the Democratic convention is held.

Mr. Bryan is a Democrat. If forty conventions were to meet and nominate him before the Democratic National Convention assembles the only effect it would have would be to pay a tribute to a great Democrat and to Democratic principles. If the Silver Republicans nominate Mr. Bryan, that will not make him a Silver Republican. If the Populists nominate him, that will not make him a Populist. It will mean only that these two parties, as yet unwilling to call themselves Democrats, believe that the Democratic party and its greatest leader stand for the reforms that will make for the betterment of the condition of the masses of the people.

Mr. Bryan will be nominated by the Democratic National Convention as a Democrat and will accept the nomination as a Democrat. If other parties nominate or endorse him, either before or after the Democrats nominate him, it will be gratifying to all Democrats who desire to see the success of their party.

Constipation prevents the body from ridding itself of waste matter. DeWitt's Little Early Risers will remove the trouble and cure Sick Headache, Biliousness, Inactive Liver and clear the Complexion. Small, sugar coated, don't gripe or cause nausea. King Bros.

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Nov. 30, 1898.

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Administrators Notice!

Having qualified as Administrator of R J Byrd, deceased, late of Cumberland county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 7th day of Nov '99, or this notice will be plead in bar of recovery. This, 7th day of November, 1898. THEO. BYRD, Administrator, Little River Academy, N. C.

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Notice of Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between H. E. Sheetz, W. S Sheetz and E. M. Sheetz, under the name of S Sheetz & Sons, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, W. S. Sheetz withdrawing from the firm. H. E Sheets and E M. Sheets will continue the business under the same name and style (S. Sheetz & Sons) All debts due the late firm are now due and payable to the new one All liabilities will be met by the new firm.

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ANN DAVIS,
Adm'r of A. J. Davis.

C. W. BROADFOOT, Attorney.

Land Sale.

Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland County in Henry Wyne vs W. H. H. Wade, Adm'r, *et al.*, made at May Term, 1898, the undersigned will offer for sale at the Court House door in Fayetteville, on Saturday, December 24, at 12 o'clock M., a tract of land lying near Wade, N. C, containing about 85 acres. See deed Book L, No. 4, page 176.

Subject to dower right of Elizabeth Baker in said land Terms cash.

C. W. BROADFOOT,
Commissioner.

November 23, 1898.

Land Sale.

Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland County made at November Term, 1898, in case of Alice H. Hayes vs. B. B. Hayes *et al.*, the undersigned will offer for sale at the Court House door in Fayetteville on Saturday, December 24th, at 12 o'clock M., ninety-seven acres of land lying in Black River Township, on Beaver Dam Swamp, upon which there is a valuable grist mill and other improvements. See deed recorded in Book Z, No. 4, page 320.

Terms cash

C. W. BROADFOOT,
Commissioner.

November 23, 1898.

Land Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland County, made at May Term, 1898, in an action entitled Jacob Bullis and wife vs. Devotion Averitt *et al*, I will, on the 28th day of Dec'r, 1898, at the Market House in the city of Fayetteville, at 12 o'clock M. FOR CASH, sell to the highest bidder the following lands, to-wit: Beginning at a small black jack on the side of the road and runs N. 24 West 61 chains to a stake in Carter's line, then with Carter's South, 78 E. 23 chains 40 links to a stake in the edge of Cedar Creek, then South 45 E. 14 chains 35 links to a stake in the Hall line, thence with that line South 45 W. 8 chains to a pine, the Hall corner, then South 45 E. 21 chains to the public road, then up said road to the beginning, containing 75 acres more or less.

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4 02 P. M. daily. Arrive Roseboro 4:52 P. M.; Wilmington 7:05 P. M.

4:33 P. M. daily. Arrive Red Springs 5:35 P. M; Maxton 6:09 P. M.; Bennettsville 7:15 P. M.

ARRIVE FAYETTEVILLE:

12 M daily from Wilmington and Roseboro.

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	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M. P. M
Le ve Weldon	12 00	9 43			
Ar Rocky Mt.	1 11	10 36			
Le ve Tarboro	12 38		6 00		
Lv Rocky Mt,	1 15	10 36		9 45	5 40 1 15
Leave Wilson	2 15	11 16		7 19	6 22 2
Leave Selma	3 15	.....			
Lv Fayetteville	4 30	1 07			
Ar Florence	7 35	3 15			
	P. M.	A. M.			
Ar Goldsboro	.....	.....		8 00	.....
Lv Goldsboro	.....	.....		7 01	3 20
Lv Magnolia	.....	.....		8 05	4 58
Ar Wilmington	.....	.....		9 30	6 0
				P. M.	A. M. P. M

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

	No 78 Daily	No 168 Dly ex Sunday.	No 82, Daily	No 40 Daily.	No 44, Daily
	A. M.		P. M.		
Lv Florence	9 48		8 55		
Lv Fayetteville	11 10		10 33		
Leave Selma	1 47				
Arrive Wilson	2 35		12 09		
	A. M.		P. M.	A. M.	
Lv Wilmington			7 15	9 30	
Lv Magnolia			8 55	10	
Lv Goldsboro	5 00		10 10	12 05	
	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Leave Wilson	3 35	5 38	12 12	11 20	12 35
Ar Rocky Mt.	3 29	6 15	12 49	11 57	1 37
Ar Tarboro		6 45			
Leave Tarboro	12 31				
Lv Rocky Mt.	3 29		12 49		